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A SPECIAL MEETING of the Corporation will be held here on MONDAY, 29th instant, at 3 p.m., to consider the Resolution relating to the building of the New Municipal Offices (consideration of which was postponed at the Meeting held on 15th idem) and the explanations thereon of the Standing Committee called for by the Corporation on the last mentioned day.

By Order of the Chairman of the Standing Committee.

H. WYNFORD BARROW,
Municipal Secretary.

Municipal Office, Bombay, 17th April, 1889.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen Defender of the Faith, Empress of India.

Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament of BAI JASODA (widow of DESAI HEMRAJ GIRDHUR) late of Bombay, Hindu, deceased.

SET TULSIDAS MANMOHANDAS one of the surviving executors named in the said will ..Petitioner.

ALL PERSONS claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed Deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Probate.

Witness, SIR CHARLES SARGENT, KT., Chief Justice of Bombay, aforesaid, the fifteenth day of April, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-nine, and in the Fifty-second year of our Reign.

J. W. ORR,
Registrar.

The Seal of the High Court at Bombay

Messrs. BALKRISHNA & DIKSHIT,
Petitioner's Attorneys.

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Mixture (Congou).	"	0	9	6	"

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OUR Well-known Breakfast Cruets at Rs. 4-14 and Dinner Cruets at Rs. 8-14 in celebrated Nevada Silver to hand. All disappointed Customers please apply early at SHROFF BROTHERS.

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NOTICE.

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EZEKIEL REUBEN.

April 15, 1889.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of this Bank will be CLOSED from the 20th to the 30th instant, both dates inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
H. CHALMERS,
Manager.

Bombay, 11th April, 1889.

ORIENTAL LIFE COMPANY.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FOURTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the ORIENTAL GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, Limited, will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, Albert Building, on TUESDAY, the 23rd April, 1889, at 3 p.m.

1.—To Receive Director's and Auditors' Reports for year ending 31st December 1888.
2.—To Elect a Director and Auditors.
3.—To Declare a Dividend.
4.—To Transact any other business which may be brought before the Meeting by the Chairman.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

D. McLAUCHLAN SLATER, F.I.A.,
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Albert Building, Bombay, 21st March, 1889.

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All lots purchased to be removed within One Month from date of acceptance of Tender.

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Full payment must be made promptly on notification of acceptance of Tender and before delivery is made.

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HORMUSJEE SHAPURJEE PAVRI, late of Bombay Parsee Inhabitant.
ARTHUR AUGUSTUS HOLDING, late Guard, G. I. P. Railway, Baroda.
J. R. CAMPBELL, late a Foreman at Wari Bunder, in the employ of the G. I. P. Railway.

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PHASES OF THE MOON.

Last Quarter ..... April 22nd, 6h. 47·1m., p.m.
New Moon ..... " 30th, 6h. 56·3m., a.m.

Days.	Engagements, &c.	Sun-rise.	Sun-set.	High Water.	Low Water
		H. M.	H. M.	H. M. H. M.	H. M. H. M.
Fri. 19	Good Friday. Departure of the English mails per s.s. Kaiser-i-Hind. Gaiety Theatre: Sacred Concert, H. Stanley Co., 9 p.m.	5 41	6 17	1 6m 1 55a	7 12m 7 49a
Sat. 20	Gaiety Theatre: Bohemian Girl, H. Stanley Co., 9 p.m.	5 41	6 17	1 45m 2 47a	7 55m 8 40a
Sun. 21	Easter Sunday.	5 40	6 17	2 30m 3 48a	8 42m 10 2a
Mon. 22	English mail expected per s. s. Sutlej.*	5 39	6 18	3 32m 4 57a	9 53m 11 42a
Tu. 23	St. George's Day. Second Criminal Sessions, 10 a.m.	5 39	6 18	4 19a 6 20m	11 30m
Wed. 24	Aban Jasan, Parsee Holiday. Second Criminal Sessions, 10 a.m. Standing Committee, Meeting, 3 p.m.	5 38	6 18	6 38m 7 59a	1 12m 0 58a
Thr. 25	St. Mark's Day. Second Criminal Sessions, 10 a.m. Municipal Corporation, 3 p.m.	5 37	6 19	8 10m 8 35a	2 12m 2 10a
Fri. 26	Second Criminal Sessions, 10 a.m. Fancy Dress Ball, Parel Mechanics' Institute. Departure of the English Mails per s.s. Assam.	5 37	6 19	9 10m 9 19a	3 0m 3 3a

* Left Aden at 3 p.m on Tuesday, 16th instant

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Gaiety Theatre, Stanley's Opera Company, Sacred Concert, 9 p.m.

VESSELS ARRIVED.—The following vessels arrived yesterday :—Indrani (s), from Cardiff; Lawada (s), Calcutta; Worsley Hall (s), Penarth; and Krishna (s), Mangalore.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessels sailed yesterday :—Krishna (s), for Mormugao and Coast. On the 19th :—Colony (ship), for Bassein; Malda (s), Calcutta and Coast; Kaiser-i-Hind (s), Aden and London; Khiva (s), China; and Draco (s), Aden and Hull. On the 20th :—Singapore (s), for Aden and Genoa; and Hindoo (s), Cutch Mandvie.

VICTORIA DOCK.—The s. s. Oriental left the dock yesterday.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The s. s. King Arthur left the dock on Wednesday, the s.s. Clan Sinclair entered, and the s.s. Arabia and Atrato left it yesterday.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mail for Singapore and Hongkong per extra s.s. Khiva will be closed at the General Post Office at 6 a.m. to-morrow.

SAILING WITHOUT LIGHTS.—At the Fort Police Court yesterday three tindals of native craft were charged by Mr. J. B. McKay, Assistant Conservator of the Port, with not having any lights on their vessels in the harbour on Wednesday night. Mr. Cooper fined them Rs. 5, 10, and 25 respectively.

CRICKET.—We are requested to state that the fifth annual social gathering of the Bombay Cricket Club will be held on Thursday, 9th May, and that the dramatic entertainment in connection therewith will be given at the Novelty Theatre on Sunday, 5th May, when the Gujerati tragedy of "Sharab tara khani thae tharab" by Mr. Homi-Maneck will be produced and will be followed by an English farce.

THEFT.—Parshotum Nagurdas was charged yesterday at the Fort Police Court by Constable Grey with stealing some silver vessels belonging to his master, Ganjee Dhongersey, and some wearing apparel belonging to a fellow-servant. He was arrested yesterday morning while passing by Crawford Market. After hearing the evidence, his worship sentenced the accused, who pleaded guilty, to six months' hard labour.

ARRIVAL OF A CALCUTTA NOTABILITY.—The Hon. Syed Ameer Hoosein, C.I.E., Additional Member of H. E. the Viceroy's Council and a Presidency Magistrate at Calcutta, arrived in Bombay on Tuesday and was presented a fashionable Parsi wedding, which was celebrated that evening at the Alfolees Baugh. The bridegroom was Mr Pherozе R. Setna, a grandson of Mr. Dhunjeebhoy Mehta, a leading citizen of Calcutta. The guests numbered several hundreds, and the feasting and illuminations were on an unusually grand scale.

A YOUTHFUL THIEF.—A boy named Madhowjee Maneckchund was charged by Inspector Saunders at the Fort Police Court yesterday before Mr. Cooper with having stolen soap and thread, valued at Rs. 2-8, the property of Abdool Rehman Challiboy, from his shop at Masjid Bunder. The father of the accused, in answer to the Chief Magistrate, said that he had sent the boy to school, but he played truant and had too much of a liking for going to native theatres. His worship discharged the boy with an admonition, telling him that if he appeared in that court again, he (his worship) would order a performance to take place in which the lad, a policeman, and a cane would play the most prominent parts.

CARRIAGE ACCIDENT.—On Wednesday evening Mrs Dumbell, wife of Mr. Dumbell, was driving a dog-cart along the Queen's Road, and was just approaching the junction of the Thakordwar Road, when the horse shied. Mrs. Dumbell was thrown out of the dog-cart, and sustained a fracture to her right leg above the ankle, which necessitated her removal to the European General Hospital. The horse immediately after ran off with the dog-cart, but was caught near Church Gate Street Railway station by a police constable The ghorawalla, was also thrown off his seat, but was not in any way injured.

A GOOD LESSON.—A few nights ago, whilst a few gentlemen were taking a walk at Kirkee, they found a native police constable asleep at his post. They caught hold of him and threw him into a tank which contained very little water; the police constable then promised he would never sleep again whilst on duty—*Deccan Herald.*

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

THE following are excerpts from the minutes of the Trustees' meeting of the 16th instant :—

STORAGE OF COALS.

Submitted letter from the Acting Engineer, dated 12th March, forwarding plans showing the portion of the north reclamation, Mody Bay, which, after consultation with the Traffic Manager, he considers suitable for the landing and storage of coal, the scheme being prepared in compliance with instructions given in Trustees' Resolution, No. 673, dated 4th December 1888. Having regard to the fact that the site will probably be required for docks before long; the Acting Engineer states that walls or slopes of a permanent character are not recommended. He reports that the present natural slope of the reclamation can with small expense be trimmed, and jetties 15 feet wide, similar to those at the firewood wharf, at intervals of 100 feet, would be, perhaps, the most convenient arrangement for the coal boats. The Acting Engineer remarks that the minimum draft of water required is 7 feet at neap tides, and that jetties will be the most convenient means of working as the long slopes would require very long planks or stages, and that light draft boats could work on the slopes between the jetties. In order to get the minimum draft of 7 feet at neap tides the Acting Engineer states that the mud will have to be dredged to 7½ on T. H. D., and that it is proposed to do this for a length of 450 feet from the outer end of the reclamation, forming a channel 40 feet wide, or enough for two boats abreast: the jetties to be run out to the edge of the channel. The Acting Engineer states that the wharf will be simply trimmed and levelled for a width of 150 feet. 50 feet being kept free and 100 reserved for storage ground, and that behind this a rough cart road would be constructed of material already on the grounds, 30 feet wide, without footpaths. The Acting Engineer's estimate is as follows :—4 jetties, Rs. 9,208; roadway without footpaths, 1,550 feet long, Rs. 4,277; trimming slopes, Rs. 500—total Rs. 13,985. The Acting Engineer states that in addition to this sum Rs. 140 has been spent in making a sample portion of pitching, &c., and that the dredging will probably cost Rs. 1,000, including the sum of Rs. 200 spent in forming a trial channel; further that the work could be completed in 2 months.

Resolution.—The works estimated to cost Rs. 15,125 are sanctioned, to be charged to Revenue.

COLLISION IN THE HARBOUR.

Read letter from the Port Officer, dated 12th April, reporting that mutchwa Maroti, No. 2407, laden with bricks, whilst at anchor at a mile to the eastward of Tank Bunder, was run into about noon on 7th instant by another prow No. 3387, which was proceeding to Powder Works Bunder; that the men were thrown into the water and with great difficulty caught hold of the prow side and tried to get on board, but that the men in the prow threatened and tried to throw them into the water if they should say anything about the accident or claim damages, and only on their promising that they would not, were they allowed to board the vessel. The Port Officer states that the police have been communicated with; but that the crew of the boat which ran down the other one have disappeared.

PILOTAGE STATEMENT.

	For week ending 12th April 1889.	For week ending 12th April 1888.
Vessels piloted into harbour	28	27
" " out of "	27	21
" " transported	24	17
" " attended to	4	0
VESSELS USING DOCKS.		
PRINCE'S DOCK.		
Vessels entered	8	8
" left	7	6
" remaining in Dock	11	15
VICTORIA DOCK.		
Vessels entered	10	4
" left	8	1
" remaining in Dock	8	10

DIVINE SERVICES.

SAINT THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

GOOD FRIDAY.

6-45 a.m.—Matins, Litany, and Ante-Communion. 12 noon to 3 p.m.—"The Three Hours' Agony," to be preached by the Rev. F. N. Hill.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20.

6-45 a.m.—Matins.
7-15 a.m.—Holy Communion.
6 p.m.—Choral Evensong and Communicants' Class.

EASTER DAY.

6 and 7 a.m.—Holy Communion.
10-30 a.m.—Matins, Holy Communion (Choral) and Sermon by the Rev. F. N. Hill.—Hymns 131, 134, and 135.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon by the Rev. A. Goldwyer Lewis.—Hymns 125, 134, and 30.
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis Simper in F.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, MALABAR HILL.

GOOD FRIDAY.

7-30 a.m.—Matins and Ante-Communion.
8-30 a.m.—Holy Communion.

INDO-BRITISH INSTITUTION, ESPLANADE.

(FOR HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.)

GOOD FRIDAY, April 19.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer, Pre-Communion Service, and Sermon.—Hymns 114, 109, and 112.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.—Hymns 108, 109, and 122.
Offertories for the poor fund.

EASTER DAY, April 21.

7-30 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon.—Hymns 134, 135, and 131.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.—Hymns 134, 125, and 131.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH.

GOOD FRIDAY.
(Colaba, Causeway.)

11 a.m.—Rev. G. W. Clutterbuck.
(Byculla, Victoria Gardens.)
8 a.m.—Mr. D. Christie.

EASTER SUNDAY,
(Colaba, Causeway.)

8 a.m.—Rev. G. W. Clutterbuck. "Resurrection: Bulwark of Christianity."
8 a.m. and 4 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Rev. G. W. Clutterbuck. Resurrection: Type of Believer's Condition. Special Anthem by choir, morning and evening.
(Byculla, Victoria Gardens.)
8 a.m. and 6 p.m.—Mr. D. Christie.
8. a.m. and 4 p.m.—Sunday School.
Cordial invitation to all.

MISSION CHURCH, GIRGAUM.

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 19.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon.—Hymns 166, 170, 489, and 133.

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 21.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer, Holy Communion and Sermon, Easter Anthem.—Hymns 133, 177, 185, and 368.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer, Holy Communion and Sermon.—Hymns 180, 179, and 372.

CHRIST CHURCH, BYCULLA.

EASTER SUNDAY.

7-30 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion.—Hymns 134, 135, and 317, and Anthem.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.—Hymns 140, 125, and 232.

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.

9 a.m.—B. B. and C. I. Ry. Institute, Parel.
6 p.m.—St. Andrew's Church, Fort.
Psalm 148 2nd version.
Hymns 309, 69, and 59.

BOMBAY YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

Service will be held at Bandora Y. M. C. A. (lower floor) Bandora House, late Marine Hotel, on Sunday, at 11 o'clock.

Service will be held on Sunday morning in the Victoria Dock on board the s.s. Niagara, at 11 o'clock.

CHEAP WEDDING RINGS.

"WHAT is a wedding ring?" may seem to some people a very simple question; but simple though it be, it is a question that has occupied the minds of Mr. Justice Manisty and a Birmingham jury for two entire days. By some vagaries of our statutes that regulate the manufacture of gold plate it appears that it is perfectly lawful to make and sell gold rings that have not been assayed and marked, provided that they are not wedding rings. Now it appears that a Southampton jeweller has been selling plain gold rings that had not been assayed or marked, and which were of more highter quality than nine carats—that is to say, fifteen parts out of 24 of their substance were not gold, but copper. "Were those within the definition of wedding rings?" was the point to be decided, and its importance will be understood when we say that the Southampton jeweller, who was probably far from being the only person engaged in this trade, was alleged to have rendered himself liable to penalties to the amount of £20. Most persons perhaps would say that any plain gold hoop ring adapted to a lady's left third finger is a wedding ring. But such rings as these are made to be worn with gentlemen's scarves, hence the suggestion of counsel that "no ring is a wedding ring till it has been used at a wedding." It is obvious that this view must practically give the jeweller absolute licence, for it would be too bad to permit him to sell unmarked scarf-rings, and then come down upon him for penalties because his customer had placed his scarf-ring on a bride's finger. Ultimately the jury came to the conclusion that the Southampton rings were wedding rings, and had been sold as such, and the defendant has accordingly been visited with the mitigated penalty of 50l. What effect this will have on plain gold scarf-rings remains to be seen; but if the result should tend to destroy the privilege of selling unmarked gold rings, no great harm will be done. In England it is, we believe, the pride even of the poorest women to wear no wedding-ring of less fineness than twenty-two carats. The economical Scotch draw the line at eighteen carats. If there are any people who would willingly go lower, at least they should have the means of knowing what sort of article they are wearing.

THE UNIONIST POLICY TOWARDS IRELAND.

THE London correspondent of the *Birmingham Post* writes :—

The communications which have lately been passing among leading members of both wings of the Unionist party with regard to the future policy of the Government towards Ireland, have, although not concluded, now reached such a stage as to enable their result to be stated with some amount of certainty. The main point, as was indicated in the speech of Lord Salisbury at Watford on Tuesday, and in the letter of Mr. Chamberlain to the Liberal Unionists of West Birmingham a day later, is that the Unionist programme of Irish reforms, as promised at the general election, will next session be commenced to be carried into law. The time selected is regarded as propitious because, as it is averred of the increasing prosperity and the equally increasing peace of Ireland.

A LAND BANK FOR IRELAND.

As the speech of Lord Salisbury and the letter of Mr. Chamberlain plainly intimated, the present idea of the Unionist majority is to place the Land Scheme first, to devote to it the main portion of the session of 1890, and to bring forward the Irish Local Government Bill in 1891. What will be proposed will, in outline, be that a Land Bank shall be created for Ireland, and that county authorities properly reconstituted, shall acquire by purchase the lands to be dealt with in each district, the ownership of such lands vesting in these authorities, and payment to the vendors being made in land debenture bonds, bearing a fixed amount of interest, and issued by the Land Bank. It will further be provided that the rents of acquired properties shall be collected by the county authority, which, after deducting a fixed proportion for local purposes, will pay the remainder to the Land Bank, in order to meet the interest and payment of debenture bonds. It will also be enacted that, in case the county authority prove remiss in a particular district and withhold payment, the Land Bank shall have a lien upon the contribution of the Imperial Government in aid of local purposes for any deficiency in payment of rent.

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SCHEME STILL UNSETTLED.

The question of a reformed Local Government for Ireland would remain, however, to be settled, and matters have not yet reached such a degree of ripeness upon this point as upon the other. Some not uninfluential members of the Liberal Unionist party suggest that the scheme, unlike that regarding the land, should be professedly tentative, and should not attempt to be final; while others argue that it should be something more than an extension of county government, and that for dealing effectively with such matters as local taxation, liquor and other licences, public works, fisheries, emigration, and even education and the poor-law, councils for each of the four provinces should be constituted.

THE LAND PROJECT BEING DRAFTED.

Already, I learn, there are officials engaged upon the details of the Land Bank scheme. As to the Local Government scheme, it is possible that some of the extreme Irish Tory members may be tempted to become adverse critics; but their criticisms are not likely to lead them into active opposition. It may not be with the Treasury Bench exactly as now constituted that the measures will be introduced and carried, and it is practically certain that it will not be with the same leader of the House of Commons; but, whatever changes take place meanwhile in the Ministry, the adoption of the outline of Unionist policy now given may be looked upon as certain.

A BASQUE DANCE.

AMONG other entertainments which the authorities prepared for the amusement or the Queen on her visit to the Franco-Spanish frontier, performances of Basque dances and games took a prominent place; for with the Northern Spaniards, as indeed all over the Peninsula, dancing is a favourite exercise, to which the natives bring the enthusiasm and grace characteristic of the buoyant nature.

Throughout the summer months not a Sunday passes but crowds of the lower classes may be found setting forth from the larger towns with a view to undertake a so-called *romeria*. The word means properly "pilgrimage," but it has now almost entirely lost its original significance. As a rule these meetings take place in a large field or open space by the side of some parish church, the professed object being to celebrate the anniversary of the patron saint to whom the building is dedicated. Thither the people flock from far and near eager to join in the festivities. Should the village be of sufficient importance to boast a local band a stand is erected for the accommodation of the players in the middle of the enclosure, where music of a kind is more or less sweetly discoursed. Generally speaking, however, dependence is placed upon the itinerant musicians, who, if ever the church records should be destroyed, might confidently be relied on to supply a trustworthy calendar from memory. These rustic pipers are, for the most part, blind, or otherwise incapacitated by accident or disease from gaining their livelihood in the ordinary way. Truth compels the admission that their appearance is seldom such as would recommend them on personal grounds; while they share with the beggars, whom every traveller in Spain has good reason to abhor, a distinct pride in their own deformities, the display of which seems to afford them unequivocal satisfaction.

Of the peasants, the men are attired in ordinary blouse and tight-fitting pantaloons, their feet being encased in neat shoes or the favourite *alpargata*, a description of sandal. The girls wear a common woolen skirt and light jacket of the shape peculiar with us to milkmaids. Their hair is gathered up behind the head within a brightly coloured handkerchief, so arranged as to resemble the end of a poke-bonnet from which the front part has been cut away. The women of the district are extremely sturdy, vigorous, and well-made, and the habit of carrying heavy weights upon their heads has given them an upright carriage and masculine swing of the body which all traveller; notice and admire.

The most favoured dance is the *jota*, which in some particulars is not unlike an Irish jig. The two partners take up positions face to face with a gravity denoting that the proceeding is one not to be entered upon in any light spirit. Then the *guitarristas* begin to twang their instruments, adding from time to time a vocal accompaniment of a peculiarly strident and ungrateful kind. The next moment the entire field is one moving mass of life and colour. The dancers keep time to the music by snapping their fingers in imitation of castanets, and the excitement increases until, towards the close, the men seize their partners by the waist and whirl them round with great rapidity. It is rather amusing to notice that the instant the music ceases the two separate: the girl to rejoin her friends; the youth to mingle again with his comrades—having first, however, gallantly handed to the player, on behalf of himself and his companion, a *perrochico*, or halfpenny, in recognition of his services. It is hardly necessary to say that introduction are not as a rule considered *de rigueur*.

The refreshments are of the most elementary description, and are, in point of fact, rather sparingly patronized. A few tables scattered about, at which may be found lemonade, beer, and the wine of the country, suffice to meet the needs of those assembled. The Northern Spanish peasant is, indeed, as simple in his wants as in his pleasures. The bright sky overhead and the clear invigorating atmosphere around seem to lend him a vitality which no artificial stimulant is capable of yielding to less-favoured nations But quick and agile as the Basque may be, he cannot for a moment compare in these respects with the Andalusian. The brilliancy of the latter's wit, the audacity of his conversation, his never flagging love for dancing, singing, and amusement of all sorts, single him out even from among a race whose constant refrain is, to quote one of their own songs, "Viva la broma!" But if the Queen is anxious to observe life as it is understood by the true Spaniard, she will have to seek it considerably further south than San Sebastian.

THE ELECTRICAL TREATMENT OF SEWAGE.

ANOTHER attempt is being made to solve the problem of the disposal of sewage, and in this instance we have quite a new departure, the power of electricity being utilized. Mr. William Webster, F. C. S., has been carrying on *experiments in electrolysis, as it is* termed—which is chemical action produced by an electric current—*for ten years*, and for about *nine* months past he has been doing so on a practical scale at the southern outfall at Crossness. The raw sewage is run through long channel or sheets fitted with *iron* plates which are in connection with a dynamo. In travelling along *the sheet every particle of the sewage comes* in contact with the plates, and is then run into settling tanks, where the sewage is precipitated, and afterwards removed. The successful precipitation of suspended matters in sewage is due to the formation of flocculent particles by means of chemical action. In the ordinary processes used this is obtained by the introduction of chemicals in a liquid form, and a large amount per gallon of sewage must be used to produce the necessary flocculency. Electrolysis with oxidizable plates produces this effect, with a consumption of material ranging from one grain per gallon, and the stronger the sewage the less the power required to produce the effect. The action that takes place manufactures the necessary precipitating agent in the sewage, whereas precipitation with solutions of chemicals means a consumption of several grains of chemicals per gallon of sewage, if the action is intended to cause an adequate deposition of matters in suspension, and the resulting effluent requires further treatment with some oxidizing agent to remove the organic matter in solution. With the electrolytical process, at the same time that the precipitation of the suspended matter is taking place, the organic matter in solution is being oxidized by means of the free nascent chlorine and oxygen given off at the positive plate. The sludge formed does not hold so much water as by chemical process, and passes without any addition of lime. The effluent is less alkaline than the natural sewage, and if necessary can be rendered neutral by passing through coke filters arranged in such a way that the electric current can be applied, thus further purifying the effluent and delivering it in such a state that the inventor professes his readiness to drink it.

No estimate has been made of the total cost of treating the whole of the London sewage by this method, but after the plant has been laid down the working cost will not exceed 13s. per million gallons. As there are 150 million gallons per day it would work out at about £36,000 per annum. Any chemical process would no doubt cost more, while the inventor claims for the electrical method much greater efficiency, as it not only precipitates the matters in suspension, but also removes organic matter in solution and forms a precipitating and disinfecting process in one operation. It is of course certain that some process will have to be adopted by the new masters of London—the County Council. At present, with the exception of what is practically experimental efforts, the whole of the raw sewage of London is pumped into the Thames. This means no less a quantity than 3,000 tons of settled sludge every twenty-four hours, which, when the water is pressed out of it, is reduced to 900 tons of solid matter per day. Next summer the precipitating tanks will be ready on the Barking side of the river, and about a year hence those on the Crossness side, so that the whole of the sewage can then be dealt with. Before that time the merits of the electrical versus the chemical methods of precipitation will no doubt be adjudged. The cost of the experiments, which has amounted to about £5,000, has been borne by Mr. Webster, in the firm conviction that his process will gain the day.

FASHIONABLE AMERICANS.

YOUNG men in New York are getting transcendant in their dress. Not only are they wearing embroidered trousers, the embroidery running up the outside seam in a strip about half an inch wide, but aced pearls are beginning to appear upon waistcoats, already elaborate with stickery of silk. White corded silk and white satin are the most popular material for the garments themselves, especially for bridal waistcoats. Pink silk is preferred for underwear and nocturnal attire. A New York paper describes a nightshirt recently made to order by a New York outfitter for a Boston man. It is composed of white china silk, with cordinalred collar and cuffs elaborately embroidered in white silk in a floral design. The bosom is pleated, each pleath having an embroidered vine wrought in gold, running its entire length. A very advanced "dude" is going to have a slight cord of gold to embellish the outer seams of his evening trousers. He is wearing apple green silk corsets this season, sewed with pink, the colour of the apple blossom. His outfitter makes quite an agreeable little sum of money yearly by selling the elaborately embroidered braces which this customer's friends work for him. They seldom suit his exigent taste, so his "man" arranges about them with the outfitter, probably to the mutual satisfaction of both parties. As the ladies know nothing about it, their feelings cannot suffer. Another improvement he is meditating concerns itself with the stockings and their fastenings. These things are very interesting, and add a new pleasure to life. It is well that a few men are content to devise new ideas about their own clothes, instead of trifling with such vanities as science and the arts, literature, politics, the welfare of mankind, or any small item of that sort.

POISONOUS HAIR RESTORERS AND DYES.—The public have frequently been warned in medical and other papers against using hair renewers and restorers, which, being composed of poisonous and mineral ingredients, have a most detrimental effect on the hair and scalp. The only safe preparation is Rowland's Macassar Oil, which public esteem for the last 100 years has proved to be perfectly harmless and most beneficial in all cases of loss of hair, scurf, and dandriff. It prevents and arrests baldness, strengthens the growth of the hair, and produces soft, luxuriant and glossy hair. It is warranted free from any lead or mineral ingredients, and is also sold in a Golden Colour for fair and golden-haired ladies and Children. Rowland's Odonto is a pure non-gritty tooth powder; it whitens the teeth, prevents and arrests decay, strengthens the gums, and gives a pleasing fragrance to the breath.—Ask chemists and perfumers for Rowland's articles, of 20, Hatton Garden, Londos, England.

SLAVERY AND THE CONGO STATE.

THE following statement is from a gentleman who was for some time in the service of the Congo Free State, and had excellent means of ascertaining the true position of affairs in the interior of Western Africa :—

It may not be generally known that slavery, with little or no modification, exists in that independent State of the Congo which the King of the Belgians is generally supposed to have founded with a view to the suppress on of the slave trade. On the Lower Congo, and near the coast, the old Portuguese law still holds good, according to which, if a native steals anything from a trading factory, the latter can at once seize upon him and his family and make them work for no other wages than their rations. But on the Upper Congo a more unconditional slavery has become fairly rampant since the loss of Stanley Falls (the last State station commanded by an Englishman) in 1886. A certain station has hitherto enjoyed the reputation of being the least expensive of the Free State establishments; and no wonder, considering that half the work there is done by slaves. A few instances will suffice to show how the slaves were come by.

When Stanley Falls Station was lost in 1886, some Houssas (West Coast soldiers from Lagos) escaping down river in a canoe were captured by the natives of a place called Upoto. Some officials of the Free State, hearing of this, went up in a steamer and succeeded in buying back all except two or three. During the negotiations for the ransom of the Houssas, the people of Upoto brought some of their slaves, who were also purchased by these officials. They returned with these slaves to the station, where they set them to work. The Upoto people had given them very little to eat. They now had more, but evidently not enough; for they sold their waist-cloths for food and were, in consequence, flogged for stealing the property of the State.

The officials made three or four more trips in quest of the still unransomed Houssas, whom the natives now evidently used as decoy-ducks; since, every time the State steamer appeared in their part of the river, the soldiers were unattainable, whilst numbers of slaves were brought down to the shore instead. These slaves—procured by raids on neighbouring tribes in the intervals between the visits of the steamer—were bought by the Belgian functionaries in return for the usual cloth, brass wire, etc. The natives, in fact, found a ready market, and did a good business: so good that when on one occasion a trader accompanied the steamer in quest of ivory, they refused to sell that commodity as they could get all the more they wanted and make great profits by selling their fellow-creatures. But of course the ransom of the two or three Houssas, who as *British* subjects could not be left in the lurch, was still the ostensible object of the Belgians' visit's. Under cover of this object the officials changed their tactics, and one day arrived at Upoto with several large canoes full of black warriors, towing astern. As soon as the steamer arrived opposite the town, these blacks cast off, and making for the islands in the river, captured from sixty-five to forty women and children; and then, under cover of a sharp fire from the rifles on the steamer, attacked and burnt the village. The captive women and children were taken down to the station, and set to work in the same way as the purchased slaves, until they were ransomed by their relatives at the rate of four slaves for each woman, and two for a child.

Yet another instance of a dodge by which slaves were procured. One of the Europeans in the station one day wounded a hippo. The animal got away; and, some few daysafter, its carcass was picked up about fifteen miles below the station by some natives, who proceeded to make their dinners off it. The officials, hearing of this, order 6.0 mitakos (brass rods worth 1½d. each) to be paid by the offenders; and, in spite of being told that native custom and the laws of sport award the hippo to the finder, persist in their demand. The natives as persistently refuse to pay. Down comes the steamer, and women and children are captured and exchanged in the same way as before. Meantime another steamer arrives from Leopoldville with a request from the chief of that station for some manioc (cassava root) for the use of his men. There being no manioc in the station itself, a Congo State functionary supplied about 100 of his people with hoes and spades, and sent them, together with a company of Houssas, steaming down to the village of the tribe who had sinned past forgiveness in the matter of the hippo. A few shots from the soldiers cleared the village; and when the others were landed, and with their hoes and spades dug up as much manioc as was wanted. Though no slaves were procured this time, yet the natives attacked could not fail to regard the whole affair as a specimen of slave-traders' policy—that policy which means ruin to the moral tone of victim and aggressor alike.

It has been claimed that the slaves are a great deal happier and better treated in the Belgian station than when with native masters. Possibly. Still there is room for improvement, as a single instance will suffice to show. A Belgian officer one day caused a native woman (one of his concubines) to be stripped naked and held face downwards on the ground by four Houssas, while a fifth gave her *200 lashes* with a chicot, or hippo-hide whip. The officer himself stood looking on *whilst shrieks* became moans and moans died away into utter exhaustion and mad unconsciousness. A missionary, who witnessed this horrible scene reported it by letter to the Governor-General; but no notice was taken, and the official remained at his post.

Until Mr. Stanley passed up the Aruhwimi, the natives on the shores of that river had always held out against the Arabs; but, since then, Manyema cannibals (ostensibly sent to assist Major Barttlot) have laid waste the country with fire and sword; and Tippoo is in a position which gives him every facility for his nefarious traffic. Had Stanley been free to remain with Tippoo Tib and govern the country through him, as Sir John Kirk for twenty years governed the whole of East Africa through the Sultan of Zanzibar, things would have been very different. But Stanley had other work to do; and, having made the best arrangements in his power and trusting to the speedy arrival of the officers and garrison promised to Tippoo Tib by the King of the Belgians, he went his way to relieve Emin Pasha. Then for a whole long year Tippoo was left to his own devices, and following the promptings of his Arab instincts first raided and then subdued the country round about. When at last the officers and garrison did arrive, Tippoo had made himself so secure that he even proposed to raid and burn the villages on the banks of the Congo below the mouth of the Aruhwimi, the western boundary of his district. He was with the greatest difficulty prevented from carrying out this proposal by the Belgian officials whose district he would thus have entered, and who—while they did nothing to stop Tippoo's slave-raids in the Stanley Falls district, and even expressed approval of the way in which the Arabs kept the natives in subjection —no doubt preferred doing the raiding in their own district themselves.

Matters being as they are, the poor disappointed natives have found out that the word of a white man is not to be taken too literally—that white men are, in fact, opportunists; and that some of the Congo Free State officials, while professing to put down a savery, have become the allies and, as we have seen above, the employers of men who trade in slaves.

VOLAPUK SUPERSEDED.

VOLAPUK is dead and buried. It expired unlamented a few days ago, when Messrs. Trubner and Co. published a little pamphlet under the title of "Anglo-Franca: An Nouveau Plan for the Facilitation of International Communication," by "P. Hoinix." The new language is based upon the English grammar, "simplified for foreigners," and all the words are French with the exception of 130. That is an encouraging mixture to start with. Mr. Hoinix claims for "Anglo-Franca" that it is "more facile for all those who parl or connais Francais than English be; more facile for all who connais English than Francais be; more facile than either English or Francais be; for others who connais neither of theses da langues."

How well this confidence is justified may be gathered from the following specimen which is a translation into Anglo-Franca of a portion of Professor Kerokhoff's Introduction to his "Complete Course of Volapuk."

The creation of an universel langue for the international relations of peuples be an question much controversed since the dec-septieme siecle. While the philosophes have un after the other proned it as an lion of union and of concorde and an puisant levier of civilisation, the litterateurs and the poetes sembl to be in accord in ni-ing its opportunité, and many linguistes revoqu encore in doute, in we's jours, the possibilité of composing an artificiel langue having an reel pratique valeur.

The idee, have despite of this, gagned much terrain in France and in Deutschland in these dernier annees. Pratique esprits dis, with justesse, that we be in an siecle in which nouveau besoins surgiss each jour, and the impossibilité of the veille deven the merveilleux realité of the lendemain. To personne songe any more now of faising to be adopted or of creing an langue which dev to deven un jour, as the Grec in antiquité, or the Latin in the Moyen Age, the universel organe of science and lettres. This be an reve abandonned an long temps since.

It gherch not to remplag any of we's modern langues (as little the English or the Deutsch as the Frangais) in the relations of peuples, nor yet to oppos to his patriotique pensee which have presided at the fondation of the Francaise alliance for the propagation of we's langue. But though the diplomates have an universel or commun langue for they's international rapports, the savants, the voyageurs, and the grand negotiants would have grand avantage in posseding egal an moyen of communication simple and pratique, which would permett they to entr in direct relations, not sole with the different peuples of Europe, but with all the civilised nations of the terre.

By the way of testing the degree of difficulty which Anglo-Franca presents to the anxious learner, we handed Mr. Hoinix's pamphlet, says a home paper, to a moderately intelligent member of its staff, who in the course of half an hour produced the following exercise, based upon the familiar Ollendorffian method :—

Me's mere be bon. The politicien be merchant. The pain of the boulanger be very blanc. The cousin of the banquier be more riche than the grand-pere of the jardinier. Me's plume and me's cahier be more large than you's. The grand negotiant be the mari of the beau dame. Me's cousin be paresseux; but he's scour be diligent. Upon the terre there be plusieurs peuples. Dieu have cree all the hommes and all the animaux that be in the monde.

This exercise has not been submitted to the revision of Mr. Hoinix; but it is presented as a creditable example of what can be done in a very short time with the very latest language.

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE sailing ship Colony, 1,694 tons, Captain J. Owens, sails to-day for Bassein in ballast.

THE s. s. Hindoo, Captain Baker, sails to-morrow for Cutch Mandvie with a general cargo and 500 deck passengers.

THE s. s. Draco, 1,112 tons, Captain W. B. Marshall, sails to-day for Aden, Hull, via Canal with a general cargo.

THE B I S N Co's s s Lawada, 2,140 tons, Captain T P Nailer, arrived in harbour yesterday evening from Calcutta, with a general cargo.

THE s. s. Krishna, 199 tons, Captain Nakoda, sailed yesterday for Marmagao, intermediate Ports and Mangalore with a general cargo and 62 deck passengers.

THE Hall Line s s Worsley Hall, 4,176 tons, Captain J Verrill, arrived in harbour yesterday from Penarth with a cargo of 4,100 tons of coal. She is consigned to the G I P Railway Company.

THE B. I. S. N. Co's s s. Malda, 1,268 tons, Captain J. Nash, sails to-day for Calcutta and Coast with a general cargo and Major Bornaby, a saloon passenger, to Calicut and 20 deck passengers to Coast and Calcutta.

THE British s.s. Indrani, 2,337 tons, Captain F L Burkill, arrived in harbour yesterday morning from Cardiff with a cargo of 4670 tons of coal and 52 tons of coke. She is consigned to the British India Steam Navigation Co, Ld.

THE Italian Mail steamer Singapore, 2,431 tons, Captain G Parodi, will sail to-m rrow for Aden, Genoa via Canal with a general cargo and the following passengers:—For Naples and Genoa:—Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton and 5 children, Mr. and Mrs. English, Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Morse, Mr. and Miss Place, Major A. W. Noyes, Mr. W. Arnot, Major Norman, Monsr. E. Gasselin, French Consul Major W. N. Greenstreet, H. E. the Governor of Goa and Lady, Lady Carvalho, Colonel, Mr. and Miss Waterfield, Dr. and Mrs. Thompson, Mr. E. W. Arundel, Dr. A. A. Pinho, Major T. C. Hood, Rev. A. Ferrier, Mrs. Heath and 2 infants, Mr. G. B. Allen, Mrs. and Miss Maclean.

EXTRA STEAMER TO CHINA.

THE Extra P. and O. Company's s.s. Khiva, 1,452 tons, Captain E. Crewe, sails to-day for China with a general cargo.

ARRIVALS.

April	Vessel.	Commander	From.
18	Indrani (s)	Burkill	Cardiff, March 23.
	Lawada (s)	Nailer	Calcutta, April 2.
	Worsley Hall (s)	Verrill	Pena ta, March 23.
	Krishna (s)	Nakoda	Mangalore, April 15.

DEPARTURES.

April	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
18	Krishna (s

SALES BY AUCTION.

MENESSE AND COMPANY.

AUCTION SALE OF A MEDICAL DISPENSARY, CONSISTING OF MEDICINE AND FURNITURE.

Messrs. MENESSE and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction on SATURDAY, the 20th inst., at 2 p.m., in house No. 116, on Parlow or Thakoredwar Road, next to Sanwoy's Thakordwar, on account of Messrs. D. Anderson and Co. by order of Mr. Vithal Ramchandra.

A medical dispensary consisting of medicine in bottles and furniture, &c., &c.

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BENNETT AND COMPANY, No. 5, APOLLO STREET.

Under instructions from the Superintendent, Army Clothing, Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 20th inst., at 3 p.m., sell by Public Auction, at their rooms,

About 12,300 sea helmets.
" 11,236 chains for helmets.
" 15 puggrees for "
" 300 empty cases.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 20th instant, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, &c.

Also few lots of furniture, consisting of chairs, cupboards, bedsteads, dinner set, &c.

AT 1-30 P.M.

1 handsome roan pony, has been driven, rides well, and is very strong and sure footed.
1 strong black galloway, very quiet, and goes well in harness.
1 second hand glass fronted miniature brougham in very good order.
1 second hand strong English built victoria in good order.
1 handsome strong Bay country-bred pony, about 3 years old, has been regularly ridden.
1 handsome strong Bay Arab galloway, 14-2, very handsome and quiet.
2 sets of best plated mounted English-made double harness, by "Windover."
1 handsome half English and half country-bred chesnut horse, goes in single and double harness, very good jumper, believed sound, would make a good charger.
1 handsome strong English built mail-phaeton.
The property of Lieut. C. H. Hill, 2nd Gloster Regt., who has left Bombay.
1 grey Arab horse, 14-2, aged, 6 years old, an excellent trapper, and very fast hack, good pigsticker, has been hunted, believed sound.
The property of Hon. J. B. RICHEY—
1 pair of dun coloured Pegu ponies, with a nice T cart, with brake and removeable hood.

Under instructions from the Commissioner of Police, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will, on MONDAY, the 22nd instant, at 2 p.m., sell by Public Auction at the Police Office, Byculla, a lot of confiscated and unclaimed arms, consisting of guns, rifles, swords, daggers, &c., &c.

AUCTION SALE of valuable landed properties at Copperasmith Gaet, Mazagon.

Under instructions from Mr. Abdoola Hassankhan, the administrator of the estate of the late Hassankhan Usmankhan Pathan, deceased, Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 20th instant, sell by Public Auction on the premises, the following very valuable landed properties :—

LOT NO. 1 AT 1 P.M.

All that piece or parcel of landed ground with the messuage, tenement or chawl standing thereon, lying and being on the south side of Copperasmith Gaet, containing by admeasurement about 177 square yards or thereabouts, and assessed by the Municipality under ward No. 5376, and street No. 1 to 3 and 45, and is bounded as follows:—That is to say, on or towards the east by the Bowgal street Mosque, on or towards the west by the property of Dawoodkhan Abdoolakhan, and on or towards the north by the gully or passage leading to the said Copperasmith Gaet, and on or towards the south by the house No. 41 firstly herein before described, and is now in the occupation of the tenants of the said administrator.

LOT NO. 2 AT 5 P.M.

All those 2 pieces or parcel of land or ground with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house or chawl standing thereon, situate, lying and being on the south side of Coppersmith Gaet, containing by admeasurement about 360 square yards or thereabouts, and is assessed by the Municipality under ward No. 5356 to 5339, and street Nos. 1 to 3 and 45, and is bounded as follows:—That is to say, on or towards the east by the Bowgal street Mosque, on or towards the west by the property of Dawoodkhan Abdoolakhan, and on or towards the north by the gully or passage leading to the said Copperasmith Gaet, and on or towards the south by the house No. 41 firstly herein before described, and is now in the occupation of the tenants of the said administrator.

The above properties yield a monthly rental of about Rs. 225.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to the undersigned.

On WEDNESDAY, the 24th inst, at 1 p. m. Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at No 5 Colaba Causeway the valuable and handsome black wood and teakwood French-polished household furniture, best plated ware, rich crockery and glassware, handsome China and Japanese vases, rich table ornaments, handsome and pictures, &c, &c., the property of G. H. WARWICK, Esq.

The property will be on view 4 days before the sale,

On THURSDAY, the 25th instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at No 33 Sirdar's Mansions, the valuable and handsome black wood and teakwood french polished household furniture by "Lambridge" and "John Roberts," plated, glass and crockery ware, rich velvet carpets, handsome China and Japanese vases, firstrate oil paintings and chromos, gilt and oak frame, a bay Australian charger, aged 15-2, goes in harness and quiet on parade, stands fire, Law Library, &c, &c., the property of FRASER HORE, Esq. proceeding to England on sick leave.

Catalogues will be published, and the property will be on view 4 days before the sale.

AUCTION SALE OF STEAM LAUNCH "ELEPHANTA."

On SATURDAY, the 27th inst., at 4-30 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at their rooms.

The Steam Launch "Elephanta" is 50 feet in length and 11 feet in breadth, draws 3½ feet, accommodates 50 passengers, has forward saloon, W. C. and every convenience for pic-nic parties, wood and coppered, awing fore and aft seats, life buoys, &c.

The launch is now lying off Apollo Bunder, where she could be seen any time.

On SATURDAY, the 27th instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Middle Colaba, opposite the Post Office, the very valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood French-polished plate glass fronted household furniture, best plated ware, rich crockery and glassware, a handsome mahogany cottage piano, firstrate oil-paintings and oleographs in gilt frame handsome China and Japanese vases, rich table ornaments, rich Persian and Brussels carpets, &c., &c., the property of A. BROOKS, Esq.

Catalogues will be published, and the property will be on view 4 days before the sale.

AUCTION SALE of very valuable landed property at Belasis Road, Byculla, opposite the Byculla Club.

On MONDAY, the 29th instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co., will sell by Public Auction on the premises, on account of the concerned.

The bungalow known as "Lockey Hall," situated at Belasis Road, Byculla, opposite the Byculla Club, containing by admeasurement about 16,294 square yards or thereabouts, and which was lately used as Abdool Rahaman Mines and Co.'s stable.

For further particulars and condition of sale application may be made to the undersigned.

On TUESDAY, the 30th instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Marine Lines, the valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood French-polished plate and carved household furniture, best plated ware, very rich crockery and glassware, handsome China and Japanese vases, first rate pictures and oleographs, rich table ornaments, &c., &c., the property of Col. T. WALKER, R. A.

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SALE OF valuable landed property in Bhendy Bazaar Cross Lane or Parel Road Row, without the Fort.

THIS DAY, the 19th inst, at 2 p.m, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises by order of Hazir Begum, widow and executrix of the will of the late Hajee Meerza Nusrooila bin Hajee Meerza Hussenally Sheerazee, the following valuable landed property, *viz.* :—

All that piece of Government ground, together with the messuage or dwelling house, shops, and stables standing thereon situate on the north side of Bhendy Bazaar Cross Lane, or Parel Road Row, in the sub-district of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 196 and five-ninths square yards, or thereabouts, assessed by the Collector of Assessment under No. 22, and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under old No. 91, new No 7107, old Survey No. 1554, and new Survey No. 1093, and bounded on the north and west by a public passage, on the south by the said Bhendy Bazaar Cross Lane, or Parel Road Row, and on the east by the property of Khoja Peerbhoy Khimjee.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to the undersigned.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY the 20th instant, sale commencing at 1 p. m. Messrs CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at No. 18, Marine Lines, opposite the 4th Bullock Mess, the valuable and handsome French-polished blackwood and teakwood household furniture, made to order, of the latest design and of the best workmanship, best plated ware, rich crockery and glassware, handsome Japanese and bronze flower vases and jars, rich table ornaments, Hink's table and hanging lamps, Brussels carpets, a handsome strong light pony cart, and a set of harness, a nearly new sewing machine, &c., a large size airary, the property of Captain G. E. EVEN.

Catalogues are published, and the property is on view.

SALE OF TEAK SCANTLINGS.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 20th instant, at 1 p.m. Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction at Mazagon Darookhana by order of Mr. Jainarrayen Sittaram, and on account and at the risk of Hajee Hassum Hajee Joosph—

Marks S. 195 Tons Teak Scantlings.
" HM 53 " " "
" C 5 " " "
" M 6 " " "
In small lots to suit purchasers.

On SUNDAY, the 21st instant, at 1 p.m. Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Mazagon No. 10, opposite H. H. Aga Khan's bungalow, the valuable and handsome French-polished blackwood and teakwood household furniture, plated ware, crockery and glassware, handsome table ornaments, fancy flower-vases, kerosine oil table and hanging duplex lamps, pictures, &c., the property of H J MILLES, Esq.

The property is on view.

WEEKLY AUCTION SALE.

On MONDAY next, the 22nd instant, at 2 p.m. Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms—

10 bales grey shirtings
5 " dhoties
5 cases prints
3 " printed handkerchiefs.
1 case lace shawls.
1 walnutwood cottage pianoforte, by Scundy and Co., in good order.

The property of a gentleman, consisting of writing and dressing tables, hatstand, arm, and without arm chairs, teapoys, easy and low chairs with cushions wall brackets with mirrors, couching dressing glass, meatsafe, cooking pots, table and hanging wall lamps, glassware, dinner and breakfast sets, single cot, child's cot, folding iron cot, perambulator, double-barrelled muzzle-loading gun by Hollis and Son, &c.

On account and at the risk of the first purchaser Hajee Dada Abba—

M H & Co. 2361-66—6 cases 300 gross tin spoons,
2370-72—1 " 200 " "
2 67-68—2 " 100 " "
2369 —1 case 100 " "
1685 —1 " 100 " brass-framed mirrors
1536 —1 " 50 " "
C P 1316 —1 " 100 " finger rings
1133 —1 " 100 " "

AT 2 P.M.

1 handsome strong double-seated brougham
1 " new victoria
1 strong light buggy
And any other carriages and horses which may be offered

SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY ON THE MODY BAY ESTATE.

On TUESDAY, the 23rd instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises, by order of the mortgagees and on account and at the risk of the mortgagor, Hajee Hubib Ahmed, the following valuable landed property :—

All that piece of leasehold land, together with the messuage or dwelling house standing thereon, situate on the Modi Bay Estate, in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 263 and two-ninths square yards or thereabouts, and bounded on the north by the piece of land in the occupation of Jossub Esmael, on the south by a roadway, on the east by the Frere Road, and on the west by eastern boulevard south, and which said land, hereditaments, and premises, are assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 8180, and by the Municipality of Bombay under Street No. and Ward No. and are situated in the Registration sub-district of Bombay, and were formerly vacant, and are now in the occupation of the said Hajee Hubib Ahmed and his tenants.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to the undersigned.

SALE of handsome Arab Horses at the Stables of Shaik Essa bin Curtas, Bellasis Road, Byculla.

On WEDNESDAY the 24th April at 3 p.m., Messrs CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the stables of Shaik Essa bin Curtas, close to Messrs Ludha, Ebram & Co., Bellasis Road.—

A number of handsome Arab horses, suitable for single and double harness and saddles, the property of Arab dealers proceeding to their native country.

SALE OF VALUABLE JEWELLERY.

Under instructions from the executor and executrixes of the Will of the late H.A. Suntook, Esq., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms on THURSDAY next, the 25th inst., at 2 p.m., the undermentioned valuable jewellery, viz :—

Gold English watches by McCabe and Marshall, Geneva watch, brilliant, pearl, ruby, cornelian, carbuncle and signet-rings, brilliant shirt studs, albert chains, lockets, collar buttons, sleeve links, solitaires, shirt studs, seals, pen and pencil cases, watch-rings and hooks, spectacles, and eye glasses by Menist, &c., &c.

The property will be on view 4 days before sale.

SALE OF TEAK SCANTLINGS.

On THURSDAY next, the 25th instant, at 4 p.m. Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction at the premises of the Bombay Saw Mills Co., Ld. by order of the voluntary Liquidators and on account and at the risk of Mahomedally Moosajee and Co.

About 82 tons teak scantlings of different sizes in lots to suit purchasers.

SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY in Chimna Butcher Street, without the Fort.

On THURSDAY, the 2nd May, at 4 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises by order of the mortgagees Beera Akha and Vaja Akha trading under the name of Beera Akha and Co., and on account and at the risk of Halimabai, widow, and Abba Ebrahim, the son, and the heirs and legal representatives of the late Memon Ebrahim Abba the mortgagor in pursuance of the power of sale given in the Indenture of mortgage, dated the 5th day of January 1887.

All that piece of Government ground, together with the messuage or dwelling house standing thereon situate without the Fort of Bombay, fronting on the east side of Chimna Butcher Street, in the registration sub-district of Bombay, assessed by the Collector of Assessment under old No. 8, new street Nos. 70, 72, 74, and ward No. 7203, containing by admeasurement 125 square yards or thereabouts, registered in the books of the Collector of land Revenue under No. 3,075, old survey No. 1,333, and new survey No. 1,682, and bounded on the east by the said Chimna Butcher Street, on the west by the Sweeper's Passage, on the north by the passage abutting on the house of Hurgovan Harrishanker, and on the south by a passage abutting on the house of Pestonjee Nanabhoy Canteenwalla.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

BOMBAY MARKET REPORT.

THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 18.

SUPPORTED by telegraphic advices from the governing markets Cotton has been active and strong, and a further advance of Rs. 3 to Rs. 6 per candy has been established in prices during the week. In other branches of the export trade of this port, however, business, lacking encouragement from the other side, has relapsed into a state of quietude, and neither in Wheat nor in Seeds has there been any movement of importance. The course of Exchange has been from weak to steady, and from steady to firm ; but compared with last Thursday's rates, this evening's quotations show no change to speak of. Money has been rather tighter again in some quarters. Government Paper has fluctuated, and closes this evening ¼ per cent. lower for Fours for cash than it was a week ago. Freights have been quiet and drooping, and the pressure of relets has latterly again weakened the market. There has been a fair ready business passing in Imports, and slightly higher rates have in some cases been obtained in view of the state of the Manchester market ; but there is no improvement in the indent branch of the business.

MONEY has been less easy in the higher financial circles, and Banks have been borrowing at 7½ per cent ; but in the open market the position has not altered to any appreciable extent. The Presidency Bank's Cash Balance as shown by the statement issued at the beginning of the week had become 21¼ lakhs less ; but this large decrease did not represent the entire expansion of the trade demand, which was really over 26 lakhs, a large increase having taken place in the item of Bills discounted, and an important addition to the amount on Loans, while private Deposits had sensibly diminished. We learn that the Bank of Bengal Cash Balance is down 26 lakhs ; and from the Bank of Bombay there have probably been the usual heavy withdrawals in anticipation of the closing of the Bank for the holidays ; but the directors made no change at their board meeting this afternoon, and the minimum remains at 9 per cent. pen annum.

EXCHANGE opened on last mail day at a decline of 1-32d. on the quotations given in our last report. Business was done in three months' sight Credits at 1s 4⅜ to 11-32d. for April and at 1s. 4 11-32d. to 5-16d. for May delivery ; but little else transpired. On Saturday the market was steady at the previous day's closing rates. Some Merchants' Bills came out at. 1s. 4⅜d. for ready 3 months' sight Credits ; 1s. 4 11-32d. for the mail of the 26th inst., and 1s. 4 5-16d. for May delivery ; and something was done in Bank Telegraphic at 1s. 4 3-16d. for ready and at 1s. 45-32d. to 1s. 4⅜d. for May transfer. There was a steadier feeling, however, at closing. The market opened on Monday morning at Saturday's rates, and closed steady at 1s. 4⅜d. for three months' sight Credits for this month's delivery, and at 1s. 4 11-32d. to 1s. 4 5-16d. for May. Some business was done at these rates, but the supply of Bills was not so large as might have been expected from the state of the home cotton market and the weekly return of the Bank of Bombay. On Tuesday there was a firmer feeling at opening and an upward tendency in rates, and the market closed firm at an advance of 1-32d. in Bank Demand and Telegraphic, and of 1-16d. in three months' sight Credits on Monday evening's quotations. There was again a tightness in money amongst the Banks, and only one or two were buying ready Bills. Some business was done in Credits at 1s. 4 13-32d. for the mail and at 1s. 4⅜d. and 1s. 4 11-32d. for May delivery ; but for Bank Paper demand was absent. Yesterday the market was firm at Tuesday's closing quotations for Bank Papers, and at 1s. 4 7-16d. for 3 months' sight Credits for April and at 1s. 4 13-16d. to 1s. 4⅜d. for May delivery. A few Bills came out, but business generally was not very brisk. The telegram to hand this morning reported the allotment of 28¾ lakhs of Council Bills to the three Presidencies at 1s. 4 5-32d. and 16½ lakhs of Telegraphic Transfers at 1s. 4 ⅛d., besides 2¾ lakhs of extra Transfers on Bombay and 1¾ lakhs on Madras, at 1s. 4 9-32d., and our market has been pretty firm, though a little quieter than yesterday. Credits are quoted at 1s. 4 13-32d. for the 26th instant and at 1s. 4⅜ for May delivery, and our closing rates for ready business are as follows :—

Bank Demand	1s. 4½d.	per rupee.
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 4 7-32d. to ¼	"
Do. 3 months' sight	1s. 4 5-16d.	"
Do. 4 do.	1s. 4 11-32d.	"
Do. 6 do.	1s. 4 13-32d.	"
Credits 3 do.	1s. 4 7-16d.	"
Do. 6 do.	1s. 4 17-32d.	"
Documents 3 do.	1s. 4 15-32d.	"
Do. 6 do.	1s. 4 9-16d.	"
Francs 3 do.	1-73½	"
Do. 6 do.	1-74½	"

The weekly official statement regarding Silver at the Mint gives the following figures :—

Value of Silver in the Mint on 10th April 1889	Rs. 92,01,595
Silver received during the week	22,39,691
	Rs. 114,14,196
New coin paid during the week	17,01,334
	Rs. 97,42,812
Bullion belonging to private individuals	56,00,282
	Rs. 153,43,094
Last week	154,69,099

GOVERNMENT PAPER opened firm last Friday, and though the feeling became weaker for a while on the sale of a pretty large lot of Four per cent. Paper, the market soon recovered its tone again, and at closing 100 5-16 was still the quotation of Fours for money. For account there were buyers at 100½ and 100¾ for the near and more distant accounts, respectively. On Saturday the feeling was rather weaker, and rates were quoted slightly lower both for money and account ; but there was not much doing to test the market. Fours were at 100 5-16 to ⅜ for cash during the greater part of the day and the closing rate was 100 5-16. For the next account there were buyers at 100 7-16., and for the May settlement 100¾ to 11-16 was the rate. On Monday the market was rather weaker under the influence of the heavy decrease in the Presidency Bank's Cash Balance, and Fours were quoted throughout the day at 100½ to 5-16 for cash, the rate for the April account having been 100⅜ and for the 30th May 100½, with buyers at the last rate, but with little doing on any line. On Tuesday, with Calcutta rates ⅛ per cent. lower, and money in Banking circles tighter again, our market was weak and rates declining. Fours for cash were quoted during the day at 100 3-16, but 100½ was the closing rate ; while for the next account the rate fell to 100¼ and for the end of May to 100⅜. Rates fluctuated a good deal yesterday within a small compass. Fours for cash opened weak, and were quoted at par, but rallied a little and closed at 100 1-16. For the next account the rate receded to 100¼, and for the 30th May settlement, to 100½ to 5-16 ; but afterwards an improvement to the extent of 1-16 to ⅛ per cent., took place. The market opened weak again to-day in sympathy with Calcutta, and par was quoted for Fours during the greater part of the day ; but the market rallied towards the close, and 100 1-16 to ⅛ was quoted, with the April account at 100 3-16, and the May settlement at 100 5-16 ; but with rates rather uncertain little actual business having transpired. For 4½ per cents. 103¼, nominal, is still the rate.

Five per cent. Municipal Bonds are ⅛ higher at 107⅞. Port Trust Bonds are unchanged at 96¼.

SHARES generally have been neglected during the past week ; and even in Mill scrip there has been very little doing, while in most of the cases where there has been any movement, our quotations this evening show a decline compared with those which ruled a week ago. Coorla Mill shares have fallen Rs. 50 ; Hyderabad (Deccan), Rs. 40 ; Central India, Rs. 25 ; Swadeshi, Rs. 15 ; Ripon, Oriental, Khatao Muccunji, and Framji Petit, Rs. 10 each ; Mazagon Manufacturing, Imperial, and Anglo-Indian, Rs. 5 each, Manockji Petit, Rs. 2½ ; and Maharaja of Mysore, Rs. 2. On the other hand, Madras United are Rs. 50 higher ; Empress, Rs. 20 ; and Star of India, Soonderdass, and David, Rs. 5. In Press shares, Munmar are Rs. 20 higher ; Apollo are Rs. 5 up ; and New Indian and Bombay Cotton have advanced Rs. 2½. Bombay-Burma Trading are Rs. 75 higher for the first issue and Rs. 15 for the third. In miscellaneous concerns Kemp & Co. are Rs. 15 higher ; and Cooper, Madon have declined Rs. 2. The three Presidency Banks' shares have all advanced say Madras, Rs. 70, Bombay Rs. 20, and Bengal Rs. 10 per share.

IMPORTS.

PIECE-GOODS.—Sustained by the firmness at Manchester, dealers in *Grey Goods* have firmly held out for current rates, at which a fair business has been done, and in a few cases rates have improved a little ; but this has been the exception rather than the rule. Up-country buyers having now a sufficient supply of money have operated freely on the basis generally of previous quotations. Supplies are moderate. *Bleached* and *Turkey Red* Goods are firm at last week's rates. *Dyed* and *Printed* Goods are quiet but steady. *Local* Goods are also quiet but unchanged in value and steady in tone. The total off-take from the Bazaar this week may be estimated at about 3,800 packages of *Imported* Goods and 2,000 bales of *Local*.

YARN.—We have again to report only a moderate business in *Imported Twist*, but the Market keeps steady in tone, and prices are unchanged all round. The sales of *Local Spinnings* wired from Hong-Kong for the week ending last Monday were only 3,000 bales, which fell short of general expectation by 2,000 bales. Exchange, however, improved to Rs. 221½ to Rs. 222. For Nos. 10s. and 12s. enquiry has remained as active as before ; but 16s. and 20s. have been comparatively neglected. Spinners, however, are showing a firmer front, and demand a slight advance on higher counts, whereas the China buyers are offering rather lower rates. The market closed with a hardening tendency and with a good enquiry for 10s. and 12s. at advanced prices, the following being the official quotations. The sales for the week have been about 5,000 bales :—

Twist	No. 6s	Mule,	As. 4¼	to 5 1-16 per lb.	
"	" 8s	"	" 5¼	" 5¼	"
"	" 10s	"	" 5 9-16	" 6 1-16	"
"	" 12s	"	" 5 11-16	" 6 1-8	"
"	" 16s	"	" 6¾	" 6¾	"
"	" 20s	"	" 6¾	" 7	"
"	" 24s	"	" 7¼	" 7¼	"
"	" 30s	"	" 7¾	" 8¼	"

METALS.—A small business has been done in *Copper* and *Yellow Metal*, and prices have declined 4 annas per cwt. in each case, the tone of the market for the former being quiet and for the latter steady. *Iron* has also been quiet and few transactions are reported, but prices are unaltered for all descriptions.

COALS.—This market has been fairly steady during the past week, but importers have been unable to engage in fresh business owing to the price on this side being under home quotations. A few forced sales of Powell's Duffryn were made at Rs 23½, but the price has since hardened and Rs. 24 is again quoted. Dawson's West Hartly is not offering, Rs. 21 per ton being the nominal price. A sale of 2,000 tons of Nixon's Merthyr for Knight of St. George (s) to arrive has been effected at Rs. 22½ per ton. We quote :—

Cardiff	Rs. 22½ to 24	per ton.
West Hartley	" 19 to 19½	"
Scotch	" 17	"

EXPORTS.

COTTON.—A large business was done on last mail day in Bengal and Oomra descriptions, and prices further advanced Re. 1 to Rs. 3 per candy in a strong market ; and though the week closed with considerably less doing, the advance in prices having apparently checked business for a time, the feeling was still very firm, and quotations were again higher to the extent of Re. 1 to Rs. 2 per candy. In sympathy with the advices from the ruling markets the feeling here was strong again at opening on Monday and large purchases of ready stuff were again made both by exporters and local consumers, prices, however, remaining on about the previous level. Demand slackened somewhat on the following day, and only a moderate business transpired, but the tone of the market was steady and rates were maintained. Thereafter transactions were resumed on the previous large scale, and a further advance of Re. 1 to Rs. 3 per candy took place in strong market. The largest purchases during the week have been in Oomra varieties, principally Julgaum, which has been taken fully by exporters at rates ranging from Rs. 207½ to Rs. 218, more or less considerable parcels of Dhulia at Rs. 196-210 ; Pachora, at Rs. 196-212 ; Karanja, at Rs. 209-16½ ; Nuggur, at Rs. 208-12 ; Indore, at Rs. 205 7½ having also found export and local buyers. The Mills have been large buyers of Bengals at Rs. 176-201 ; and they have been the principal takers of Dholera descriptions, including Bhownuggur, at Rs. 207½ ; Dhollera proper, at Rs. 205 ; Mowa, at Rs. 230 ; and Cutch at Rs. 199 per candy. Contracts chiefly with European buyers in Dharwar for May delivery have transpired at Rs. 220-22 per candy.

The Receipts of Cotton of this season's crop during the past week have been 74,500 bales—a considerable increase on the previous week's arrivals—against 69,800 bales received during the corresponding week last season ; and the excess in the season's total compard with that for 1887-88 which last week showed a slight diminution, has now increased to 385,525 bales.

The following are to-day's quotations for full-pressed cotton with the equivalents in Sterling, cost and freight to Liverpool via Canal without commission, viz. :—

Cotton—	Per candy.	Per lb. C & F
Bengal, Fine	Rs. 203 =	1d.
Do. Fully Good	" 191 =	4 1-16d.
Do. Good	" 188 =	4 5-16d.
Oomra, Fully Good (Good Staple)	" 225 =	4 11-16d.
Do. Good "	" 217 =	4 17-32d.
Do. Fully Good Fair "	" 208 =	4 13-32d.
Khandeish, Fully Good	" 215 =	4 15-32d.
Khandeish, Good	" 210 =	4d.
Do. F. G. Fair	" 201 =	4 3-16d.
Belatee, Fine	" 213 =	4 17-16d.
Do. Fully Good	" 209 =	4 11-32d.
Do. Good	" 202 =	4 7-32d.
Broach Fine (April)	" 218 =	5-32d.
Do. Good "	" 234 =	4 27-32d.
Dhollera Fine "	" 234 =	4 27-32d.
Do. Fully Good "	" 224 =	4 21-32d.
Do. Good "	" 211 =	4 15-32d.
S. G. Dharwar, Good (May)	" 224 =	4 21-32d.
Western Dhs. Good "	" 213 =	4 17-16d.

The Arrivals of New Cotton into Bombay this season as compared with last are as follows :—

	Season 1888-89.	Season 1887-88.
	Bales.	Bales.
Bengala	232,000	173,000
Berar	336,900	143,500
Khandeish	238,200	167,000
Barsi and Nugger	89,400	50,500
Hinguughaut	24,700	675
Broach	131,200	88,000
Dhollera	143,300	176,000
Sind and Persian	24,400	37,000
Compta and Dharwar	5,000	4,800
	1,226,000	840,475

The movements of Cotton to date show the following comparison with the two previous years :—

Receipts.	1889.	1888.	1887.
For the week	74,500	69,800	84,819
From 1st Jan. to 17th April	1,074,917	782,509	811,190
Clearances to Great Britain and Continent.			
For the week	52,252	31,412	61,481
From 1st Jan. to 17th April	737,579	440,451	492,020
Clearances to Calcutta, China, &c.			
For the week	1,975	100	1,109
From 1st Jan. to 17th April	12,529	10,991	12,615

WHEAT.—The demand which we noticed last week has since quite subsided, and only a small business has been reported daily, the tone of the Market, however, having been steady and latterly firm, and prices for all descriptions unchanged.

Seeds have been taken to a very moderate extent, enquiry from exporters having been generally absent throughout the week. The market, however, keeps steady at our quotations, say :—

Linseed	Rs. 6-6-0 to Rs. 6-9-0 per cwt.
Rapeseed, Guzerat Yellow	" 7-3-0 to " 7-4-0 "
Do. Cawnpore	" 6-12-0 to " 6-14-0 "
Do. do. Red	" 5-12-0 to " 5-14-0 "

The Comparative Imports of Wheat and Seeds are as follows :—

	Cwt.	Cwt.	Cwt.
Wheat—For the week	302,522	381,251	452,389
" From 1st Jan. to 17th April	1,901,015	2,172,882	2,759,588
Linseed—For the week	77,575	118,212	128,882
" From 1st Jan. to 17th April	753,178	963,304	1,009,744
Rapeseed—For the week	130,349	68,241	35,260
" From 1st Jan. to 17th April	411,499	232,637	177,534
Gingelly Seed for the week	22,309	10,212	21,849
" From 1st Jan. to 17th April	550,902	569,730	668,768

The Clearances of Wheat and Seeds to Great Britain and Continent are as follows :—

Wheat—For the week	221,477	194,496	190,542
" From 1st Jan. to 17th April	2,155,953	1,360,3-8	2,115,470
Linseed—For the week	51,81	20,449	97,552
" From 1st Jan. to 17th April	744,093	756,851	581,082
Rapeseed—For the week	75,711	17,927	6,041
" From 1st Jan. to 17th April	430,449	136,141	125,393
Gingelly Seed—For the week	47,971	22,156	79,951
" From 1st Jan. to 17th April	518,927	606,830	667,925

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LISTS.

BANKS.

	Shares.	Amt.	Paid up.	Last Dividend.	Cash Rates.
INDIAN BANKS.		Rs.	Rs.		
Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	All	13 pct.	975
Bank of Bengal	12,000	500	All	10 do.	980
Bank of Madras	10,000	500	All	14 do.	930
EXCHANGE BANKS.		£	£		122
Agra Bank	10,000

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

DEFEAT OF THE MAHDI.

CAIRO, APRIL 17.

News has reached here that the battle between the forces of El Senoussi and the Mahdi, which was imminent when the last advices were received, has come off, and resulted in the defeat of the Mahdi with heavy loss and the capture of his chief general.

The Mahdi has retreated on Khartoum.

THE PATRIOTIC LEAGUE.

PARIS, APRIL 17.

The police are paying many domiciliary visits in Paris and in the Provinces.

THE CRAWFORD CASE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, APRIL 18.

In addition to Reuter's telegram of the report it appears that the *Times*, in commenting on non-suspension after a confessed corruption of native Magistrates, adds regret that it should have required Lord Cross's authority to impress on Lord Reay the importance of recognising such a vital principle of Indian administration.

The *Pall Mall Gazette* remarks that it is as satisfactory to see the indication of the principle of absolute purety in the Indian administration.

The *St. James's Gazette* approves of the dismissal of Mr. Crawford. It adds that the country will be anxious to hear whether this is an isolated case or one of a class.

The *Globe* believes that public opinion will be unanimous in its disapproval of Lord Reay's action in retaining the case. This was a gross violation of the elementary principles of justice and as great a scandal as Mr. Crawford's borrowing. It urges Lord Reay's removal, remarking that his rule has not been a conspicuous success.

THE SURAT FIRE RELIEF AT CALCUTTA.

Apart from the present deplorable instance of high-handedness, upwards of 20 thousand rupees were collected at Calcutta on Wednesday in behalf of the sufferers from the fire at Surat.

FIRE AT NAGPUR.

An extensive fire occurred at Nagpur on Wednesday evening, the Goods-shed at the railway station being burnt down. The loss, which is calculated at a lakh of rupees, falls upon the Great Indian Peninsula and Bengal-Nagpur Railway Companies. It is believed that the fire was caused by explosion of some native fireworks that were being unloaded at the time.

DEATH OF CAPTAIN SINCLAIR.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, APRIL 18.

Captain Sinclair, of the 22nd Mountain Battery, died suddenly to-day from heat apoplexy. He was sitting in a chair in the verandah when he suddenly expired. He was buried this evening with military honours. The funeral was largely attended.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE MAILS.

ADEN, APRIL 18.

THE P. and O. Co.'s s.s. Siam, with homeward Indian mails of 12th inst., arrived here at 6 a.m to day.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

LIVERPOOL, APRIL 17.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Macdonald left here this morning.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Mackenzie left here for Colombo, Madras, and Calcutta, this morning.

SUEZ, APRIL 17.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Kangra, outward bound for Bombay and Kurrachee, left here this afternoon.

ZANZIBAR, APRIL 17.

The Sultan of Zanzibar's s.s. Malacca left here for Bombay direct to-day.

PENANG, APRIL 18.

The P. and O. Co.'s s.s. Kashgar (extra) left here for Bombay at 5 p.m. to-day.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, APRIL 17.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed firm. Surats firm.

Good Fair Dhollera	4¾
The Manchester Market has been firm.	
Exchange on India, 30 days' sight ...	1 3 15-16
2½ per cent. Consols for account	98⅛
3 per cent. French Rentes	84¾
4 per cent. Rupee Paper	67½
4½ per cent. „	70⅜
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	100
Bar Silver	42 3-16

THERMOMETER READINGS.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT, APRIL 17.

10 p.m.	

THURSDAY, APRIL 18.

6 a.m.	
10 a.m.	
2 p.m.	
4 p.m.	

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

(APRIL 17.)

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

GREAT BRITAIN.—*Via* Teheran, perfect. *Via* Turkey perfect. *Via* Suez, perfect.

CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—*Via* Teheran, perfect. *Via* Turkey, perfect. *Via* Suez, perfect.

AMERICA.—*Via* Brest, perfect. *Via* Valentia, perfect. *Via* Direct Cable, perfect.

AUSTRALIA.—*Via* Penang, perfect. *Via* Amoor, perfect.

CHINA.—*Via* Penang, perfect. *Via* Amoor, perfect.

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER REPORT.

SIMLA, April 17.—Pressure has increased slightly in Burma on the west coast and in Sind, and has decreased elsewhere. Readings are relatively low in the western desert and along the foot of the Himalayas, and are relatively high in the south of the peninsula and in Burma. Winds are about normal in direction, except in North Bengal and on the hills, where it is exceptionally easterly. Temperature has generally risen in central parts of the country, the maxima are much higher than on the preceding day. Sky is more or less cloudy, and some rain is reported in Assam and at Bhamo, Darjeeling, and Cochin.

MILITARY NEWS.

MR. W. CHURCH, medical warrant officer, has been allowed one year's furlough on medical certificate.

LIEUTENANTS CLEMENT STANLEY DUNCAN LESLIE, 2nd Battalion, Manchester Regiment, and Simpson Hackett Westropp, 2nd Battalion, Gloster Regiment, have been appointed probationers for the Bombay Staff Corps.

LIEUT. C. M. H. MERRIMAN, Staff Corps, has been granted three months' additional sick leave,

LIEUTENANT JOHN CHARRIER KEOWN, of the Royal Marines, 1st Battalion, Bombay Rifle Regiment, has been admitted to the Bombay Staff Corps.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL A. B. PORTMAN, Superintendent of Police, G. I. P. Railway, has been granted furlough in Europe for one year and eight months.

CAPTAIN G. F. W. MACMAHON, District Staff Officer, has been allowed one year's leave.

LIEUT. CHARLES JAMES KENDALL, 2nd Battalion, Leicester Regiment, has been appointed a probationer for the Bombay Staff Corps.

COLONEL W. H. ROSS has taken over the Colonelship on the Staff of the 20th Bombay Infantry in room of Colonel G. F. Beville.

LIEUTENANT M. E. CARTHEW-YORSTOUN, Staff Corps, and Honorary Lieutenant J. Merriman, Ordnance Department, have been granted extensions of leave on medical certificates.

COLONEL G. MACKENZIE, Staff Corps, is about to retire from the service.

THE week's season reports are thus summarised in yesterday's *Gazette*:—Rain throughout Sind and in parts of Belgaum. Late crops in one taluka of Sholapur unsatisfactory and in parts of Shikarpur damaged by storm. Exotic cotton in parts of Dharwar blighted. Harvesting of late crops and preparations for next season's crops progressing. Probable outturn of wheat in Upper Sind Frontier fourteen annas. Fodder scarce in Khandesh and Nasik and in parts of Karachi, Poona, Ahmednagar, Dharwar, Kathiawar, and Baroda.

PLAYS AND PERSONALITIES.

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, MARCH 20.

WHICH is the weaker sex? That is the point that exercised our minds as we came out from Pinero's new play at the little Court Theatre. Before we went to see it, we all knew well what he meant by his title. Not one of us women but humbly accepted the fact that he alluded to us when he chose what he thought would prove a fetching title. But having once seen the play we began to doubt if we really had a right to the doubtful compliment of having given it its title. If it was the weaker and not the weakest sex he meant by his designation, then it was all right. We will plead guilty to being weaker than we ought to be. But we do not acknowledge to being as weak as the men he produced when he wrote his play. Of all the milk-and-water characters that I have seen played, I never remember one so utterly weak as the poet hero Ira Lee, who was represented by Mr. Kendal. When the curtain rises Ira Lee is a man of about forty-five, not utterly hopeless and despairing, though twenty years before he has had his romance and been jilted by the girl he loved for the sake of a man with a title. Of course he did what the correct jilted lover always does; he changed his name, he fled the country, and he took to poetry. By-and-bye, in twenty years' time or so, he, like all other jilted lovers, grew better, and sighed for civilization, clipped hair, and a taste of other people's prose, for possibly a twenty years' course of one's own poetry is apt to pall. So Ira Lee, the poet, came home. And straightway he again falls in love. And the girl whom the poet loved was his old sweetheart's daughter. A believer in heredity would see a nice case in point here, and demonstrate how a cultured taste in poets is as transmissable from mother to daughter as a cultured or at all events strong taste in wine. It was, as the old proverb says, "Cat after kind." Of course this love-making was not done under the mother's eyes. It all took place in Italy, where Sylvia, Lady Vivash's daughter, was travelling with her mother's friend, Lady Gillingham. When they returned to London with the poet in their suite, the *denouement* takes place. Ira Lee meets his old love, and whether he still cares for her or no, he finds out that she still loves him. Here is a pretty situation for a poet. He apparently loves both his loves, old and young, and he cannot choose between them. If he marries the mother, then his little Sylvia will break her heart, and if he marries the daughter, then the mother will break her heart, in spite of her magnanimous declaration to the contrary. So he jilts the two of them. But he cannot refrain from coming back to see how they take it. Now, if a man could be weak, I think the weakest thing he could do is to blubber over the sorrowful fact that he cannot marry a mother and daughter. There is something poetic to my fancy in a man weeping because he may not marry his grandmother—a grandmother is so very much above most people's aspirations, so unattainable, for they seldom are marriageable at the same time as their grandsons. But to cry for the woman who has jilted one twenty years before, and to cry to have the daughter too, is quite too utterly silly for most people's taste. Ira Lee was a weak vessel, but I really think A. W. Pinero was much the weakest when he created him. Of course a play with such a plot, no matter how well acted or how prettily mounted, cannot be successful. Mrs. Kendal as Lady Vivash looked very charming, and wore very pretty dresses, but there was no scope for any acting. It was a continual strutting on and off the scene—a procession of pretty women in pretty clothes passing across the stage and meeting some very fascinating men in their ordinary fascinating evening dress and exchanging some inane courtesies. The comedy of the play is represented by Mrs. Boyle-Chewton, a travesty of the modern strong-minded woman in a very remarkable coat and vest over an ordinary black walking skirt. Mrs. Boyle-Chewton's daughter Rhoda is being brought up to be strong also, but she is really quite the contrary to the ideal woman's righter. She is decidedly pretty even in her hideous costume. I think Ira Lee could not have done better than console himself for the loss of the women he loved by taking Rhoda Boyle-Chewton, but evidently A. W. Pinero thought otherwise.

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Miss Violet Vanbrugh made a handsome Lady Gillingham, and her costumes were quite worth going to see. A salmon-pink evening dress looked lovely sweeping across the stage, and a green velvet walking dress trimmed with beaver was what a Frenchman-milliner would call a dream. One of Mrs. Kendal's most becoming gowns was pale-blue striped wool and silk material with a petticoat of plain blue to match. The bodice opened in a small V in front, showing the fine setting of Mrs. Kendal's head which is one of her best points.

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Talking of Mrs. Kendal's strong points brings my mind to the gossip that is going on about the coming beauties of the season. If there were a beauty competition, there would be four or five candidates for the prize who would run one another pretty close. There is the handsome blonde Miss Cotterel, daughter of Sir Henry Cotterel. Her complexion would be the best advertisement Pears, of soap renown, ever had if he could lay his hand upon his manly heart and truthfully say it was his peerless soap had made it. But it wasn't. It was Mother Nature. Colonel Stanley Clarke's daughter is a more statuesque beauty, though when she speaks her face lights up and she looks less like a piece of sculptured marble. Miss Ethelredie Creyke, daughter of Mr. Walter Creyke and niece of Mr. Lawes, whose name became famous in connection with the Belt case, is a pretty piquant little thing, pink and white, like a doll that was too nice and too big to be played with and had to be kept under a glass case for protection. Then there is Miss de Brieuen, daughter of Baroness de Brieuen, what one hears called "a stunning fine girl" with lovely eyes, olive complexion, Jewish features, and the wealth of rich dark hair, which is nearly always an attribute of the Hebrew people. Lady Helen Blackwood, daughter of the Marquis of Dufferin, is another of the season's beauties, though in her own circle she is not considered to come up to the high ideal that a daughter of the Sheridans ought to attain. For the Married Ladies' Stakes, the betting is highest on Mrs. Harry Lawson and her sisters, Lady Crossley and Mrs. Willie Lawson. It is rare to find a family so rich as to own three favourites for one race.

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I came across a sweet little poem of Edgar Allen Poe's in an old Transatlantic newspaper, where he describes one of his ideal women this way—

Leonainie—angels named her,
And they took the light
Of the laughing stars and framed her
In a smile of white;
And they made her hair of gloomy
Midnight, and her eyes of bloomy
Moonshine, and they brought her to me
In a solemn night.

I do not exactly understand how bloomy can apply to moonshine, but the description is pretty and bewitching.

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Those who go in for dreams of fair women should have been at Mrs. Jeune's on Wednesday night. And indeed dreamers of fair men, if there are such people—(I never knew any one acknowledge to dreaming of fair men, though I have no doubt it sometimes occurs)—might also have revelled in a midwinter or a mid spring's night's dream there too. The Princess Mary of Teck though past priding herself on personal charms, was one of the attractions. And her daughter, a fresh, fine-looking girl, with easy, graceful manners, though without her mother's pleasant genial way, was also there. Then there were some pretty Americans, a Miss Bonning, whom everyone admired for her faultless complexion, Mrs. Mayor Cheeseborough, and Mrs. Bran Stoker. Altogether it was a very mixed party. There were the two Lord Chancellors, Lord Halsbury, and Lord Ashbourne, who was just back from Ireland. And there was Mr. Houston, of Special Commission notoriety. And there were Tories, Liberal Unionists, and Radicals, a pot pourri of mixed political perfumes, all jumbled together and naturally not combining very well. It was a sight to see them struggling up the stairs, almost outdoing the great crush at the Royal Institute last week.

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The *Star* in its personality column gives an interesting account of the early life of some French actors. The Coquelins began as assistant pastry cooks and M. Got was formerly a clerk at the Prefecture of the Seine. Mounet-Sully, of the Comedie Francaise, was a law student, but was never called to the bar. M. Worms, also of the Comedie, was a compositor, and Lafontaine was brought up for the Church. Paul Mounet is a duly qualified medical man, and his friend Mont Cara, who acts at the Odeon, was once a pretender to the throne of Hungary. Simon May, the tenor, was a house painter, and another, Senor Dereims, began life by enlisting as a pioneer. If we supplement this list by name taken from our own acquaintances who have been victims of stage fever, we shall realize how very much our career depends on chance. Mrs. Langtry in her father's vicarage in Jersey, saw very little of stage life, and Lady Cadogan who made her *debut* at Miss Henrietta Lindsay's *matinée* at the Haymarket, and who is now under study to Miss Carlotta Leclercq, very probably was brought up with the old idea that the theatre was the habitation of the Evil One. But we have changed all that.

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A JAPANESE SENTIMENT.

HE had been thinking vaguely about it for some time, but when his friend, Jokichi Sau, Jokichi San, whom everybody remembered quite well blacking foreigners' shoes in Yokohama a few years ago, so that he might learn the foreigners' tongue, came back from America with a foreign wife, and the prospects of a Chief Secretaryship, Shiro San suddenly decided to marry a foreign wife too. Shiro San knew little about America, and still less about American ladies. It was only natural, therefore, that he should look upon the foreign wife as the cause rather than the effect of Jokichi's prospects, and emulate his friend's example accordingly. At heart he was profoundly indifferent to the blonde, blue-eyed beauties of the West, but blonde, blue-eyed beauties had somehow got mixed up with the Japanese idea of progress, individual and national, just as pot hats and white cotton gloves, horse-hair chairs, and green rep curtains had got mixed up with it, so he felt the time had come to bow a long farewell to O. Fuji Sau and O. Yaki Sau, O. Hanna Sau, and O. Maya Sau, and all the other sweet, almond-eyed Ok Saus who had served him in the tea houses with dancing and singing and *samisen*-playing, and to adapt himself to the manners of Tsukiji, the foreign quarter of Tokyo. I do not know whether this long farewell cost Shiro Sau very much, but the bow was very graceful, and little Miss Whisteria Blossom said something prettily despairing about going to sleep with the stars in the lake of the tea-house garden. You see, a Japanese sentiment is such a decorative thing.

Though Shiro Sau smiled quite confidently when he spoke of his matrimonial projects to his foreign friends after the candid manner peculiar to his countrymen, he was by no means at ease. A foreign wife could not sit on the floor, and she could not eat with chop-sticks; she would be wanting to use the front parlour as a bonnet-box, and she would alter the whole aspect of the back garden if she had the temerity to step in to it. Then, worst of all, a foreign wife might demand some exhibition of affection, she might even wish him to kiss her, and he, a Japanese gentleman, thought all exhibitions of affection, and especially kissing, vulgar, notwithstanding the repartee of a pert little Yankee that she thought "it was ten times better having one wife and kissing her, than six, and not." But one morning Shiro Sau read something in his paper which reassured him, and filled his small brain with all sorts of hopes. It ran thus, according to the special correspondent's translation of it:

"Our special correspondent yesterday reviewed two lady correspondents in Grand Hotel of noble looking. In reply to request of the object of caravanery ladies said:

'We have visited your enlightened land to study native life. We will live in Japanese house and wear the dress of the nation; also we will have our hairs done in Japanese style.'

"Ladies further said that they did not know that beyond Pacific space there was a land they have loved so well. Speakings finish.

Shiro Sau went the same evening to the house of a foreign friend in Tsukiji to find out some thing more about these lady correspondents, and there to his infinite satisfaction he was presented to one of them.

"What a find!" she exclaimed softly, fixing a correspondent's eye upon him where he sat on the edge of a chair, laughing all over and drawing himself together as if he thought he was occupying too much room and wanted to take in a tuck. "What a type!" she continued, examining Shiro more closely, his dainty feet and his delicate hands, his green tie and his waistcoat for whose shortness an *obi* but half atoned. Then she noted his quick eyes peeping out from behind the thin, drooping lids, his brusky hair, his sunken brown cheeks, his thick, rather sensuous lips, and last and least his moustache and beard. But when she noted his moustache and beard she smiled. It was so brave an attempt, the bravest perhaps she had seen, and yet it fell so far short of the reality, it reminded her so forcibly of her forests at home after a spring fire when all the undergrowth has been burned, and only a few charred trees are left standing. But Shiro Sau suspected nothing, and chattered with a nervous volubility that surprised even his foreign friend. Though I fear he was oblivious to the fact that the lady correspondent's eyes were large and round and blue, that her mouth was not an ugly one, and her smile rather pleasing in its way, he throbbed with quite a novel sensation when she spoke of Confucius, chuckled delightedly when she talked glibly about Treaty Revision, claimed her silently when she vilily feared "he was a dreadful diplomatist." And Shiro Sau's foreign friend marking these things said wickedly right out before all the company.

"Shiro Sau is going to Europe in a fortnight, you know, and he means to bring back a foreign wife with him."

But Shiro Sau thought he had better marry the foreign wife first.

It was late when a Japanese gentleman, with a face as solemn as only a Japanese gentleman can wear, wandered meditatingly out of Tsukiji, out of the quarter of stern, tall, strong houses into the delicious fantasy of wood and white paper they call Tokyo. Even the moonbeams seem to take particular care to fall gently over Tokyo, and the people there sleep as lightly as they laugh, or live, or die. But the Japanese gentleman had brought home something of Tsukiji that night, something new and incomprehensible, and it weighed heavily upon him. It was a sentiment. Not the sentiment he had entertained regarding O Fuji Sau, which seemed so very like a branch of cherry blossom, painted across a screen—no root and all flower—anything but the sentiment he had expected a foreign wife to inspire—a foreign wife who was to be in his life what a room furnished in foreign style would be in his house—a proof that he walked abreast of the times, that he recognised his duty to his country-women by bringing some one amongst them who were to nurture and know how to play the piano. She, of "noble looking," fulfilled not only the last two conditions, but she could argue about Confucianism, she had read Mr. Norman on Treaty Revision, and she had told him what he longed, but dared not tell himself that he was "a dreadful diplomatist." Shiro Sau was in love with a l'Européenne.

Though Shiro Sau was in love with a l'Européenne, Shiro Sau was still a Japanese, and lose was a *quid pro quo*. He had never seen a lady correspondent before, but he knew, or he thought he knew, how to win a lady correspondent's heart, so he took her to all the Government schools, the State prison, the court-house, and the museum, he lent her Perry, and he prepared for her six foolscap sheets of the facts and statistics with which every writer on Japan in turn enlightens his readers, and which no conscientious lady correspondent should be without; then he thought she must understand he wanted her to marry him. She did understand something to that effect when "he desired so much of Japanese women should experience influence of such learned lady," and yet wondered why the "learned lady" could not go to Europe in a fortnight, but the whole affair up to this point was unsatisfactory and indefinite. The lady correspondent had not come to Japan for facts—facts were harrowing and inconvenient, they warped the imagination, and might always be brought up against one—she had come for impressions, and Shiro Sau would persist in making the most disappointing ones. She had thought of Japanese love. Making just as she had thought of Japanese houses, both would be filled with an infinity of dainty conceits, but she found the one furnished with a China vase and the other furnished with a bow. It is true that Shiro Sau ere long perceived the present situation, demanded something further, but it only made matters more provoking, for though his phrases became a mixture of "Ivanhoe," Darwin, and the novel of the last century, his position always remained the same—a neutral one, six feet off.

Seven days passed since Shiro Sau first met the lady correspondent, and then there was an entirely new development in the acquaintanceship in the shape of a parcel and a letter, which Tomi, the maid, brought into the lady correspondent's room early on New Year's Day morning. The letter said:

"It is Japanese custom to always send fish and some other present on New Year's Day. I send fish because most characteristic of native style. I wish you Merry Xmas and New Happy Year."

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The lady correspondent penned her thanks for his "charming souvenir" in the most appreciative terms she could find, and at the same time hoped she would soon have an opportunity of expressing them in person. Shiro Sau sent back a reply two hours afterwards to the effect that "as he wrote her note which was the soul and heart to him hung over the mantle piece, and he could not help reading it as often as he could. In fact, when he got it he was overflowing with emotion, and started at once for Tsukiji, but the thought of conversing with a lady, having such high accomplishment, before half a dozen people, as was usually the case, deterred him. She might laugh, and he did believe he was too exclusive, but he thought it unpardonable on the part of any gentleman not to make an opportunity of talking alone to a lady who could exert so excellent an influence over Japanese women, for could there be any happiness and comforts in this world of mortals without high and noble sentiment among women?" Then he proposed that the above-mentioned opportunity should be made on the morrow, when he would take her to the only Government school she had not yet visited.

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She had hoped he would choose some moment as they sauntered in the star light by the moats, as they stood watching sunsets over Fujiama, or wandered through the shadows of the Parks, but he did not. He chose—O Spirit of Modern Japan!—the bour of tiffin in a European restaurant. Shiro Sau sat on one side of the table and the lady correspondent sat on the other. Up to this point, Shiro Sau being of the East and never having seen America, had no doubt that when, after due preliminaries, it should please him to make his final and definite proposition it would be accepted without hesitation. But now suddenly, for some inexplicable reason, everything seemed changed, and in the silence of a deserted dining-room, with no other eye upon him except that of the lady correspondent, the masterful Oriental in him began to quaver horribly. His face was pitifully anxious, his manner even more nervous than usual, and his little laugh a ghastly little echo of itself.

"I suppose you know why we have arrived in this place," said Shiro Sau, abruptly rising to poke the fire.

"Yes," said the lady correspondent very innocently. "Then don't you come next week to Europe?"

"To Europe!" she echoed more innocently still.

"Yes, to Europe, don't you come?"

"I . . . I can't see how I am going to influence your country women if I go to Europe next week."

"You can influence them afterwards."

"Afterwards? But I can't imagine how I shall ever return to Japan."

"Yes, you shall return," poking the fire more frantically and bending low over the flames. "I know I express not well, but," with a laugh, "in these, in these little *affairs desœurs*, as the French say, I suppose it is all the same and every lady understand, especially one having high accomlishment."

The lady correspondent had one eye on her plate and the other on Shiro Sau. Shiro Sau had his back to the table. There was a pause.

"I . . . I thought we had come here to talk about Japanese women," murmured the lady correspondent.

"We have come here to talk about something of much more serious," replied Shiro Sau, turning round sharply, and looking straight at her very gravely. "We have come here to talk about you and me, and how you marry me."

She avoided his eyes. She stopped peeling her perimon and gazed fixedly into the fire. She was wondering how she should ever remember exactly his words and his expression, and she was hoping she left her note-book in the jinrikishaw and not at the Government school, as she feared, but nobody but another lady correspondent could have guessed this.

"I know it is surprise so quick," went on Shiro Sau, apologetically remembering how the foreign courtships of the last century usually lasted three volumes, "but I had to hurry since I go next week."

"It is indeed a surprise," said the lady correspondent slowly, still gazing into the fire.

"That's what I say it is surprise," answered Shiro Sau pettishly. "Don't you come?"

"You are so kind."

"Oh, it is my pleasure."

"Your pleasure to be kind I know," said the lady correspondent, smiling her sweetest smile upon him. "How shall I ever thank you for your goodness?"

"Oh I can do much more to serve you," said Shiro Sau, regaining courage. "You have not seen yet our hospital, nor the lunatic asylum, nor the fire department, and the new fire alarms. But those can wait," he added, with a little knowing look.

"I am afraid they can't wait," replied the lady correspondent solemnly, "I am afraid I shall have to stop behind to see them."

Then followed the old, old arguments of the "foreign style," the old, old arguments that have been since the world began. Shiro Sau had never used them before, but somehow they came to him now at twenty-eight in his foreign love-making, just as they come to the foreign novice of eighteen. The old, old arguments answered by the gentle, conciliatory fibbings, musingly poured into the trembling little flames of the grate, gravely addressed to an ambitious spider crawling up the opposite wall, softly whispered to a solitary bird on the branch of a leafless cherry tree outside.

There was another long, long pause, and in the pause something touched her hand. It had never been touched just like that before, and yet she did not care to turn her head to see.

A week later Shiro Sau went to Europe on some very important business of the Mikado's, and the lady correspondent remained behind in Japan—for more impressions.

LILLIE LEWIS.

DISORDERLY HOUSES IN THE FORT.

THE following petition has been addressed by many of the leading mercantile firms in the Fort to the Government of Bombay:—

The Humble Petition of the Merchants and Traders of Forbes Street, Apollo Street, and other localities in the Fort of the Town and Island of Bombay,

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH, That some time since the European prostitutes who occupied houses situated in Cursetjee Sukhlajee Street have removed to various other respectable localities to the great inconvenience and annoyance of your Excellency's petitioners.

That prior to the removal of these women from Cursetjee Sukhlajee Street the nuisance was localized, but recently the signs of their wretched calling are visible in almost all the respectable parts of the city, and they are now allowed to carry on their calling in the very heart of the business quarters where respectable European and Native firms of long standing are situated.

These women carry on their calling under cover of cold-drink shops, a number of which have recently sprung up in localities such as Apollo Street, Mody Bay, Forbes Street, and Prince's Dock, their business hours being from sunset to late hours of the night. The presence of the women in the business quarters is not the only nuisance, but at times the streets become the scene of scuffles that take place between seamen and soldiers who are the chief patrons of the so-called cold-drink shops, which, your Excellency's petitioners submit, is a great nuisance to all respectable people, including the respectable shops of the localities.

Your Lordship in Council will be sorry to find that in *one street only* (Forbes Street), and within a hundred yards of it, there are no less than seven such shops, and in those shops a large number of European women appear to find employment. The stock-in-trade of each of these shops would represent a very small amount of capital; it is evident therefore that the object of opening these shops by the women employed in them is prostitution. Moreover, it has been judicially established before the late Acting Senior Presidency Magistrate that these cold-drink shops in the Fort are simply brothels, and that the women who carry them on are prostitutes recently driven out from their former abode in Cursetjee Sukhlajee Street,

That on the afternoon of the 28th ultimo a disturbance was created by European seamen visitors to one of these shops in Forbes Street, so much so, that for upwards of half an hour the respectable firms of the street had to suspend their business. There was also an indecent assault committed in the same street on the person of a respectable European lady by some visitors of these shops on the 30th ultimo who were apprehended by the police. Such disturbances are so frequent in these localities, and at times the respectables hop-keepers are so helpless that your petitioners could hardly describe it. The firms of your Lordship's petitioners have been established in those localities for upwards of 25 years, and during that time they never were pestered with brothels in their midst. They cannot but regard these as a great nuisance.

Your Lordship's petitioners beg to observe that if the women in question be called upon to obtain licenses for carrying on *bona-fide* cold-drink shops, and the Commissioner of Police was directed not to grant them any licenses, unless they furnished security of respectable citizens as to their calling, these brothels would entirely cease to exist. Your petitioners further respectfully submit that the Commissioner of Police has the power to proceed against and prohibit the women in question under Section 14 of Act XLVIII of 1860, the use as brothels of the shops which have been occupied for this purpose in respectable localities.

For all these reasons, your petitioners pray that your Excellency in Council will be graciously pleased to direct the Commissioner of Police to take measures against the women in question, so as to compel them to leave the respectable business localities of Bombay where they have proved themselves to be a dangerous and disgraceful nuisance.

Sd. PHIPSON AND CO.
FINLAY MUIR AND CO.
ROGERS AND CO.
C. MACDONALD AND CO.
& others.

Bombay, 18 April, 1889.

SURAT FIRE RELIEF FUND.

A LARGE and influential meeting was convened by Mr. Goverdhundas Motiram Bhugoobhai, the agent of the Volkart's United Press Company, Limited, at his residence, the "Raugnahal," on Sunday. There was a large attendance of Bombay merchants and other officials of this place. Rao Bahadur Govindrao Garud was in the chair. A subscription was raised and Rs. 300 were subscribed on the spot. At this time the Bombay merchants subscribed very insignificant sums, which throws great discredit on them. The Maratha gentlemen began with double numbers and up to date Rs. 500 have been subscribed. Messrs. Goverdhundas and Cursetji Seewaji Sunawala, both of which gentlemen are from Surat, are greatly exerting themselves to collect the subscriptions.

EUROPEAN GENERAL HOSPITAL ENDOWMENT FUND.

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The following additional subscriptions have been promised this week. The full list will appear at the end of the month:—

	Rs.
Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son	250
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BROACH HIGH SCHOOL.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BROACH, APRIL 16.

THE distribution of prizes and certificates to the successful students of the Broach High School and the Drawing Class attached to it took place last Saturday afternoon in the Central Hall of the Rustomjee Sorabjee Dalal High School. It had been originally fixed for the 19th ultimo, but had to be postponed on account of the sad and untimely death from cholera of Mr. Dinshawjee Rustomjee Dalal, a son of the late Khan Bahadoor Rustomjee Sorabjee Dalal, after whom the High School building is named. The school Building and the Hall were gaily and tastefully decorated for the occasion with banners and evergreens. Mr. John R. Greaves, of the firm of Greaves, Cotton and Company, presided, and among other gentlemen present were Messrs. Phirozshaw Rustomjee Dalal, Sorabjee Hormusjee Vakharia, Darashaw Rustomjee Dalal, Adarjee Mancherjee Dalal, Shripadrai Kalianrai Vakeel, Girdharlal Bhawanilal Vakeel, the Acting Civil Surgeon, Mr. S. F. Gandhi, the Nawab Saheb, the Kazi Saheb, Khan Saheb Gulam Hossein Sayed Mahomed, Edaljee Mancherjee Contractor, and Dinshaw Fardoonjee, Rao Bahadoors Parvatishankar M. Dave and Harderam Anoopram Moonshi, and Drs. A. J. Kelawala and S. F. Kapadia. About a dozen native ladies also attended, and were accommodated in a sideroom, the doors of which were hung with chicks. The presence of native ladies even with such special accommodation was a feature quite novel, and perhaps the first of its kind in this town. The prizemen and reciters were accommodated on benches in the hall itself, and other students in another side-room facing the president.

The proceedings commenced with the reading of the interesting report by the head master Mr. Ibrahim M. Sayani, on the working of the school from the date of the inauguration ceremony in July 1886 to the end of the official year 1888-89.

From the report it appears that Mr. Sayani took charge of this High School in May 1887 in succession to Mr. Parvatishankar M. Dave, on whom Government bestowed the title of Rao Bahadoor in recognition of his long and valuable services on his retirement in February 1887. The salary of the head-mastership was reduced on Mr. Parvatishankar's retirement from Rs. 250 to Rs. 200, but in November 1887 it was restored to the former figure. When the school came to be located in its present magnificent building in July 1886 it had already overgrown its accommodation, and another building had to be rented in addition to provide for its lower classes. This was, however, not considered quite a satisfactory state of affairs, and the Director of Public Instruction only a few months later issued orders that no fresh students should be admitted to the lower classes, and that the rented building should be given up as soon as possible. It was accordingly given up in November 1888, by which time the two lowest classes had disappeared. But during this interval the number of pupils in the school had also decreased considerably, so that the Director rescinded his former orders, and directed that all the standards should now be taught, (1) as there was room enough in the Rustomji Dalal High School for all the classes, (2) as the staff was sufficient, and lastly as a private school managed by a small society, known by the name of the Lok Hitechhu Sabha, which had been expected to supply the place of the lower classes of the Broach High School, would seem not to have given satisfaction to the Director. The number of students now attending the school is 254, which is slightly in excess of the sanctioned maximum, 240. This number is divided into eight classes, one for each of the Anglo-Vernacular Standards I. to VI., one for teaching the Matriculation course. In the School Final Class there is provision for teaching all the optional subjects recognized by Government as qualifying for the lower grades of the Public Service, with the exception of one only, *viz.* Agriculture. "But," said Mr. Sayani, "it would seem that this subject has not much attraction for people here—though Mr. Ginwala thinks that Broach is the proper centre for an Agricultural College—as the Agriculture Class, which was attached to this school for some years, did not flourish and had to be closed." At the last Matriculation Examination the school passed 6 out of 13 candidates, one of whom was a Mahomedan named Bade Saheb Fakroodeen Contractor, the first Mahomedan that has passed the Matriculation Examination from this school: and one of the six, named Nathalal Lalloobhai Bharoocha, was awarded the James Greaves Scholarship for passing with the highest number of marks from among the candidates from the town of Broach. The scholarship just named was founded in 1886 by the friends and admirers of the late Mr. James Greaves, the father of Mr. John R. Greaves, who presided at this meeting, and has been every year won by the Broach High School. For the second grade Public Service Certificate Examination, which was held under the new regulations for the first time last year, nine candidates passed out of 19 sent up from this school. Altogether 43 candidates passed out of 49 examined at the Broach centre. The school did not do equally well at the annual examination held by Mr. Gimi, the acting Educational Inspector, N. D. But Mr. Sayani showed that the results in the upper standards were considerably better than those obtained at the previous examination which had been held by the same examiner.

Out of four Government Scholarships in High and Special Schools, Broach District, which were awarded during the last official year by competition by students of the Broach High School, *viz.*, Rustomjee Kavasjee Master, Dawud Ibrahim Sayani, and Fazlodeen Fakrodeen Contractor. And the winners of the two middle and special school scholarships, Broach District, which were awarded last year, have both joined the High School to study English. The High School has attached to it a Drawing Class, which seems to be in a satisfactory condition. It prepares students for School or the High School or outsiders for the First Grade Art Examination held by the authorities of the Sir J. J. School of Art, Bombay; and last year it prepared for the first time two students for the Second Grade Examination also. These, however, passed in Model Drawing only. At the First Grade Examination last year nine candidates passed out of 23 presented and three obtained prizes. Mr. Sayani regretted that the number of outsiders attending the Drawing Class was not quite so large as might be expected, seeing (a) that drawing is a recognized subject for the School Final and Public Service Certificate Examinations, (b) that vernacular masters and artisans are excused the fee levied from other students, (c) that drawing is the foundation of all technical education, (d) that it is an accomplishment developing the faculties of taste, observation, and accuracy. And he added that those who did not know English could be taught in Gujarati. Mr. Sayani gave further particulars, in the course of which he mentioned that the Broach District is very backward in English education; referred to a scholarship of

AN INTERVIEW WITH GENERAL BOOTH.

GENERAL BOOTH, "the commander-in-chief, dictator, and controller-general of the great evangelical organisation known as the Salvation Army, while in Edinburgh, was interviewed by a reporter. In the course of conversation he said :—

"Our desire was to get at the crowds outside of church influence, and we got at them. The work increased, and those who assisted in it and became officers were mainly those who had grown up in the spirit of our organisation, and went foward to new centres under my direction. We have now stations in thirty-six different countries and colonies. I have myself visited most of the countries in Europe where we have corps stationed. I have also been to the States and Canada, and but for the serious illness of my wife, who has been a valuable coadjutor in my work, I should probably now have been in Australia or India."

"This is a great organisation to be practically under the direction of one man ?"

"It is. I am well assisted by my staff, but we manage to control it."

"The system is one of dictation, is it not ?"

"Distinctly. Command, if you like. When a minister here wants any manifestly good and necessary work done, he has to bother on with his synod of elders. We say "Do it, and the command is obeyed. Our people are soldiers ; it is their instinct, their duty, and pledge to obey. It works quite well ; we have no trouble. Our 8000 officers and corps of 2500 all over the world are controlled by directions from London. Nothing comparable to this movement has arisen within the last two or three centuries in respect of breadth and consolidation."

"How do you think your movement will be regarded at the distance of a century or so ?"

"Ah !" said the General, "I will tell you what one section of your people will say. The ministers of Scotland will say that if they had been alive in General Booth's day, they would have wished him 'God speed' and shaken hands with him. I have been to Aberdeen and Perth, and only one minister has shaken hands with me to wish me God speed. Well, I did also chance to meet two or three parsons at tea who were kindly enough."

"Has your own personality much to do with the movement ?"

"Well, I admit," said General Booth, "that my own personality does occupy a considerable place and is of importance in the maintenance of the movement as it is at present. The notion is pretty prevalent that when I am gone it will burst up. But it won't. We rely upon the continual direction and support of God for the future, and provision has been made with some forethought for the continuous direction and management of the work."

"You mean that your successor has been appointed?"

"I do, but the name is not known outside. According to a deed duly settled and enrolled in Chancery, the movement must go forward on the main lines on which it at present progresses."

"You do not apprehend any difficulty on the matter of creed? We in Scotland are not all satisfied as to our relations to our Church standards."

"Yes, you are all very much concerned about each other's beliefs. We concern ourselves about getting people saved and to lead good lives. We, of course, have a creed. A bare statement of the principal orthodox doctrines suffices us, and is satisfactory regarding what all Christian people hold as essentials. Of all this, however, our people know very little. A drunken man comes to us and gets saved, but we don't't bother him with an explanation about the mystery of the Trinity. We want him to be a good man, to spend his time in saving others. Ours is a work of heart-dealing, and, with one or two exceptions, we have never had to put any one outside our borders for false doctrine."

"You are aware that many people are repelled by what are called the extravagances of the Army ?"

"That we cannot help. We are not wedded, for example, to a drum or tambourine any more than you Scottish are to an organ or a precentor. These and other things are only the conveniences of the hour, used to call the attention of the multitude. They are perfectly warranted, and they have succeeded. A parson in Boston asked me in public my authority for tambourines and drums. I told him that Miriam had played the first on the banks of the Red Sea, and I thought we were quite justified in following her lead. The people laughed, and let the question of the drum alone."

"Some attention has lately been directed to your missionary system. You have, of course, no doubt as to its soundness ?".

"None whatever," said the General. "The missionary plan of the Scottish Churches will soon be relegated to—well, it will soon be looked upon as we now look upon a carrier's cart or a stage-coach. It is an evident failure, and I cannot see how any cool-headed calculating Scotsman can look upon it as otherwise. Before you can 'take' a country, you must have a large number of men to do it. But the system is altogether wrong. We have 250 officers in India, for example, 50 of whom are natives, whose maintenance costs about £8 each per annum. They dress like the natives among whom they live, eat the same food, occupy the same kind of houses, and talk the same language. I can tell you, too, that they do acquire the languages in quick time by those means. They are a very short time there when they learn to sing and pray in the language of the country, and in twelve months can generally talk quite fluently. Many of them can talk two, three, and four languages without having gone through the labour of grinding up a grammar."

"You say you find large numbers willingt o undertake a life of self-sacrifice ?"

"We shall have more in time, but as it is, we have many striking examples among our officers of men and women who have had luxury and comfort in abundance, and on whom the door is now closed by their fathers and mothers. For example, it may be worth knowing, as an experiment in reaching the very poorest classes of society, that in London (we have also some in Manchester) there are seventy officers who live in the slums—young women, two together. These had every earthly comfort, and this is the lot they have chosen. Rescue work is a most valuable part of our organization. We rescue at the rate of a thousand poor lost women every year. They do not all continue to do well, but 65 per cent. of them do. We find them work, and many of them get married and do well. At the present time we have the addresses of 400 girls in London with whom we keep up regular communication."

"How do you take the attitude of the educated classes ?"

"We have many well-educated people with us, but the work must go on, it cannot wait for classes to join it ?"

"What recreation or amusement do you permit your young people ? May they not attend a game at football, for instance ?"

"If they did they would be no more officers of mine."

IS CHIVALRY STILL POSSIBLE?

MR. ROBERT BUCHANAN, replying to an artical in the *Daily Telegraph*, in which he complains strongly that he was classed with "merely destructive critics, incapable of enthusiasm for anything contemporary," goes back to his "modern young men."

"One of my strongest contentions against the Modern Young Man as Critic—against, in other words, the average half-educated, semi-cultivated, small pessimist of the present generation—is that, thanks to him and his chivalry is fast becoming forgotten ; that the old faith in the purity of womanhood, which once made men heroic, is being fast exchanged for an utter disbelief in all feminine ideals whatsoever ; and that women, in their turn, in their certainty of the contempt of men, are spiritually deteriorating. Every day' in every club-room, we are told by men of the world that there is practically no such thing as 'seduction,' and that the hideous nightmare which haunts our civilisation is really born out of the folly and the depravity of womankind. So that, it would seem the only way to deal with the Abominable is to put it under the control of the guardians of the peace, and, while accepting its necessity, to take care that it does not trouble our social comfort. So far from having the Abominable hushed up and well regulated, I would have it flaunted publicly, in all its hideousness, till the real truth is understood—that it is a creation of the filth of man's heart, and that the class called 'fallen' is practically a class of martyrs. Heaven knows I am not writing as a would-be moralist and Pharisee ; Heaven knows I am not blind to my own or my brother's infirmity ! But when the pessimist postulates firstly, with Swedenborg, that this human sacrifice is a necessity, and secondly, that women as a class wilfully and cheerfully sacrifice themselves, I know out of my own experience that he is uttering a lie !

THE MARRIAGE MARKET.

"We have consistently degraded women. From generation to generation we have denied them their rights and privileges. We have asserted that their only function is parasitic, their best qualities less intellectual than instructive But hitherto, while complacently admitting their inferiority, we have believed in their moral influence, in their divine sympathy. Now at last—while Jack the Ripper, in Whitechapel, desecrates as and destroys the bodily mansion—his kinsman, the pessimist of to-day, pollutes the tabernacle of woman's soul. He frankly despises, and persistently depreciates, what was once a temple where all strong men, all men who were sons, husbands, or fathers, might meet and pray. There is, he says, no 'seduction.' Women minister, for the most part cheerfully, to our vanities and our pleasures. Antigones, Cordelias, Rosalind, Imogens, Eugenie Grandats, are the mere dreams of 'poets.' A popular dramatist thinks he touches the quick of the question by making comic capital of 'Women's Rights.' Popular pools and novelists swarm the bagnios of literature with monsters, which they label 'studies of women.' Certain of contempt, certain of misconception, women at last throw off their bindings and become what men make them. The Rome of juvenal repeats itself in the London of to-day.

THE THREATENED LOSS OF A FEMININE IDEAL.

"This question is far too broad and world-embracing to be discussed in a newspaper letter. Some good may be done, however, by asking if it is not possible, in the face of the grievous social peril—the threatened Loss of a Feminine Ideal—for some few men, knights errant in the modern sense, but full of the old faith, the old enthusiasm, to remind the world, in the very teeth of modern pessimists, of what woman has been to the world, and of what she may yet become ; to keep intact for our civilization the living belief which sanctified a Madonna and a Magdalen ; to protect the helpless, to sympathize with the unfortunate, and above all, despite the familiar sneer of the worldling and the coarse laugh of the sensualist, to reverse the familiar adage now and then, and read it *cherchez l'homme !*"

MORE DIVERS THROUGH SPACE.

It bids fair to positively rain parachutists during the coming season. Numerous residents in the United Kingdom are at the present time experimenting with home-made gingham-like apparatus, from which they make frantic leaps into their back gardens from their first floor windows. Professor Baldwin hopes to return from the Antipodes in time to continue gathering the harvest of shekels which showered upon him on his advent to these shores ; Higgins, his only English rival so far, is having purses of untold gold presented to him at transpontine music-halls, and is dropping dark hints about improvements he has made in his parachute during the season of his hibernation, and promises to take his sister up into the aerial blue on Easter Monday at Belfast, and to escort her safely back to *terra firma* ; but of all those whose ups and downs in the world will cause excitement during the coming season there is but one now in England who claims to be a practical aeronaut, and that is Professor Charles W. Williams, who has now been over here some few days, and busy arranging for his first ascent.

"Well, y'see, I was always reading up all I could on aeronautics, and had an intuitiv liking for the business, says Mr. Williams. Away out in Alabama a balloon was seldom seen, until one day a man came along with one, and while it was inflating we got talking. We found there wasn't enough pressure of gas to get the balloon filled before sundown, and as the proprietor of the machine was some four stone heavier than I, he asked if I'd make the ascent, as the spectators were getting impatient. In three minutes' time I was off at express speed. I went two miles high and twenty-three miles' distance in twenty-four minutes. I'd rather a comical return to earth. The wind dropped as I neared the ground, and as I passed over a farm the fowels kicked up a fearful din, clucking and squalling. The old man thought some chicken-snatcher was after them, dashed out of the house with a shot-gun, and eagerly looked around and about, everywhere but above, and seeing the gun in his hand I was afraid to call, fearing he'd let fly at the balloon, and if he did it was a moral cert, he'd hit it. Just then the grapnel caught in some bushes, and the farmer caught sight of me. He turned out a most hospitable old fellow after all."

"Haven't you a partner in this business ?"

"Yes. He's called S. C. Young, and he's two years older than I am. He'll be here in time for my Boat Race ascent. He's married, and his wife has been ailing, so I came over in advance. He has, like myself, been a practical balloonist for some years, and it was in the spring of 1886 that Harry Gilbert, perhaps the best know aeronaut in the States, introduced us. My partner had been at the game about as long as myself, and between us we thought out the parachute business. Two days after I made my first descent, and the next day my partner went up, and came down in Lake Ontario, and had to swim for it. Since then we have made between us nearly sixty descents, for we go up alternately, unless we have simultaneous engagements. To begin with we use a hot air balloon, and are in consequence independent of a gas supply from the main. The balloon I shall use on Boat Race day is 70 ft. high, 60 ft. in diameter. The aperture is 12 ft. across, and I calculate she'll hold 65,000 cubic feet of air. Those who have seen ordinary gas balloons whistle when they see mine, I can tell you. To inflate it we require two scaffold poles 40 ft high. These are firmly planted in the ground, and a trench, twenty feet long, is dug leading to them ; the balloon is strung up, mouth over the end of the trench, which is covered with iron plates. At the other end a load of wood is laid, saturated with petroleum, and lighted. In twenty minutes the balloon is filled, and up I go.'

"And the parachute ?"

"That, too, is different in construction to Baldwin's. It is the same I used in my first trip, and I hope to keep on using it for ten years to come. I don't fasten it to the side of the balloon like Higgins and Baldwin, but hang it right under the netting. I clutch the ring, and at the word 'Go !' the balloon shoots up like a rocket, much quicker than one inflated with gas. This has the advantage of securing a better view of the fall for those who have paid to see me go up. When I have got high enough I simply liberate the parachute, which inflates after I've dropped about fifty feet, and the rest is easy enough."

THE MATABELE HEADMEN IN LONDON.

THE *Glasgow Herald* has been able to provide its readers with an account of the later experiences and impressions of the Matabele headmen at present in London :—

"What they really most admire next to uniformed soldiers is a very fat man or woman. They are not very clear in their ideas as to what constitutes a soldier, for when they go to the music halls and the gaudily attired 'chuckers out' come to stare at them, they fancy that the Queen has furnished them with a guard of honour. On Friday they were at Shoeburyness, where they saw all the most novel and formidable new guns tried, and were allowed to fire two of them themselves—an honour which so delighted them that they executed a war dance immediately afterwards, to the great delight of the firing party. It is a rule at Shoeburyness that when a great gun is tried against an iron or steel shield in order to test its powers of penetration, all present must go under splinter-proof cover, as pieces from the fractured shields often fly back in the direction of the gun. The Matabeles would, however, by no means consent to this pusillanimous arrangement, as their King had told them to 'see everything'—just as Parkyn Middlewick in 'Our Boys' told his son not to leave Naples without seeing an eruption of Vesuvius, no matter what it might cost. As it happened, the Matabeles were unhurt, but splinters flew over their heads in all directions. On Monday they saw a sham fight at Woolwich, in which nine field batteries were engaged. The other day they went to Chatham, and took a trip in the military balloons, for which they have been sedulously prepared by numerous journeys in hotel lifts, and on Monday by Evelyn Wood had a field day for them at Aldershot. They are naturally much tired by all their sight-seeing and have excused themselves to the Speaker of the House of Commons and the Lord Mayor of London, desiring to reserve all their strength for military sights, which interest them most. Their shrewdness is illustrated by the following story: — So marvellous to them are many things which they have seen that it has occurred to them that when they relate their adventures, their King, Lo Bengula, will simply pronounce them to be a pair of impudent liars, and order their heads to be removed. They have, therefore, taken precautions as often as possible to be photographed in juxtaposition to any specially remarkable thing which it will be their duty to describe. On the other hand, they are as simple as children. A few days ago they were placed in two Government offices at some distance from one another and shown how to converse through the telephone—which they were told was the same thing as the electric telegraph —when they were astonished to find that the Englishman's instrument could talk the most perfect 'Matabele,' instead of English alone like the maker. They have come to the conclusion that the power of the English is not founded on 'witchcraft,' but on the frequency and fervency of their prayers, for on each Sunday of their stay they have been taken to view the congregation at one or other of our great national places of worship."

STORY OF THE TWO "STRADS."

WITHIN the last few days Joachim's admirers, as all the world knows, have given him a Strad, bought for £1,000, and M. Meyer has been presented with a Strad, which cost £1,250, but no information has been published to account for or to justify these extravagant sums. We are far from saying that for the finest specimens of Stradivarius four figures would be out of the way, but we can hardly suppose that either Joachim's or Meyer's committee had mastered the pedigrees of these fiddles before they bought them, or they certainly would not have bought them—at those prices. For the future guidance of the public, here is the story of Joachim's presentation fiddle.

The violin last belonged to Lady Lindsay. The back, sides, and head are of great beauty, but the belly is somewhat damaged. Several years ago Mr. Crosby, the first Wardour-street dealer, predecessor of Hart, tampered with the bottom sound-hole, which he enlarged—the man was a very Vandal. The instrument was afterwards cleverly restored by Gand of Paris. It was bought by C. J. Meier, and sold by him to Chanot for £180. Chanot sold it to Lady Lindsay for between five and six hundred pounds. Lady Lindsay sells it for £1,000! This is rather unaccountable, for neither in tone nor in preservation will it take first rank, and a Strad, belonging to Kiesswetter was rejected on that very account. Then as Joachim has already three Strads, finer than this one it would have been better to have got him a Joseph Guarnerius if a first-class Strad, could not be found. Well, let us now come to Meyer's Strad. Here the leap in price is still more phenomenal and still less accountable. In Joachim's Strad, it was only from £500 to £1,000 ; in Meyer's, it was from £500 to £1,250! The price obtained by Richer, of Berlin.

The violin is said to be one of a quartet made by Stradivarius for George I., then Elector ; but no violin historian knows of it, nor has any one yet traced its companions. It belonged to Molique, the tate violinist, and was offered not long ago to Carrodus, his pupil, for £300. It is said that Joachim, when he tried it, did not think very highly of its tone ; and indeed it is somewhat worn, and has seen its best days, for it is a mistake to suppose that a violin can always continue to be played upon and go on ripening for ever. And now it is suddenly run up from £500 to £1,250, the price of an exceptional Strad! It is just as well to place these facts without comment on record for the instruction of the public at large, for these violins may be in the market again any day, and the comparative merits of all the Stradivar violins still extent are perfectly well known to connoissurs, who laugh in their sleeves at these little sensational transactions, but can't always afford to say what they know abut them, *Verbum sap.*

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child, suffering with the pain of cutting teeth, go at once to a chemist, and get a bottle of MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to the taste. It produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from the pain, and the little cherub, awakes "as bright as a button." It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers everywhere at 1s. 1½d. per bottle. Wholesale by the Anglo-American Drug Company, Limited, 33, Farringdon-road, London.

FEMININE FACTS AND FANCIES.

SPRING DRESSES AT HOME.

THE treatment of the panel and vest in the new dresses is quite new. They are braided in such a close covering pattern that hardly any groundwork is seen. A clever machine has been brought out, which can produce most intricate patterns in braid or cord embroidery with extreme rapidity. Most of the leading houses are possessed of them, so that in ordering a dress you may also command a elaborate embroidery with the certainty that it will not retard the completion of the dress. *Plumetis pea* is the name given to this treatment, and it is very successful where lace is used, as the embroidery is carried from the material on to the heading of the lace. Cord braiding is newer than actual flat braid which when employed must be very fine. Cord outlines the patterns of lace also, and gives great additional firmness. As yet, light greens and pinks which merge into terra cotta are the leading shades. Vandyke is a yellowish-pink that appears in everything, and most prominently in ribbons and millinery generally. The red blotting-paper pink is another favourite tone with Ophelia and Mogul.

PARASOLS.

Parasols are of the *en-tout-cas* order. Lace as yet only appears as insertion in horizontal rows. The handles have had much attention bestowed upon them. Some are made of cork, some of fluted ivory, others are made in repousse metal, and many in natural wood. The fine porcelain handles, the dandies of the Grand Monarque period used for canes have been applied to the parasols of our nineteenth century—dainty and charming, though often heavy, which is a consideration if a parasol has to be carried many hours. Gold points and ivory tips have been introduced once again on the ribs, and the thin Oriental silk is used for the cover, with a lining of a contrasting colour. There are more greens than all the rest of the colours put together.

COLOURED GLOVES.

But are we to be condemned to wear green and heliotrope gloves, says a ladycorrespondent? I see them in the shop windows, and I tremble. What can be more inartistic, ugly, and unbecoming than a bright-coloured glove, whether it match the dress or not ? Still, if it is fashionable, people will wear anything, and we seem only able to form a just opinion of modes when we see them years after they have been set aside, in family photographs, and when their intense ugliness is no longer softened by any delusions. If we could but be wise in time ! Now, however, we have much to be thankful for ; materials and styles are vastly improved since those to which our mothers were condemned in that reign of dowdiness from which we can never be sufficiently thankful we have been allowed to escape.

SOME DARING NOVELTIES.

Some daring novelties are to the fore in wearing apparel, but I have come to the conclusion (writes "Miranda" in the *Lady's Pictorial*) that the more impossible a fashion may appear an promise about the more likely is it to spring into favour. What, for instance, could be more outre than the bodices of contrasting colours which despairing modistes on the other side of the Channel have introduced as their latest inspiration ? Who could have supposed that any woman would have consented to array herself like a pantaloon or a jockey half red and half blue, or black and yellow, as the case may be? Yet these bodices have already positively made their appearance in England and will doubtless become quite fashionable ere long. These extraordinary garments are made with backs of one colour and fronts of another, so that one presents the appearance of a parti-coloured ice. The more striking the contrast, too, the more fashionable the bodice, so that the effects produced are of the wildest nature. This craze for parti-coloured attire has also extended to sleeves. If the gown is green and brown one sleeve is inserted of one colour, while its fellow sleeve is of the other, and the effect thus produced is even more extraordinary than the bodice of two colours. I can scarcely believe that this bizarre of fashion will be an enduring one ; but I think it will probably resolve itself into a revival of the bodice of one shade and material with sleeves of a contrasting colour and fabric.

MADAME CARNOT'S SOIREE.

A Paris correspondent, writing on March 23, says:—There was a brilliant soiree musicale this evening at the Elysee, for which invitations had been issued in Mme. Carnot's name to not more than 800 persons. The elegant toilettes were, therefore, not lost in the crush. Plain skirts, rather short, and of a piece with the bodies, were very much worn by young girls. They were open at the sides to allow underskirts of diaphanous textures to appear ; the latter were very much pleated in longitudinal folds. Ribbons were profusely worn to add effect to the toilettes, sometimes round, otherwise bare necks, and tied in bows either in front or behind, according to the wearer's fancy, sometimes as bracelets, sometimes as sashes, or again falling in infinite streamers from the waist, so as almost to form a kind of fringe that descended nearly to the ground. When ribbons were so worn, the dress was of a flimsy material.

THE NEW MANTLE.

The new mantle is made of embroidered silk, trimmed with a deep fringe of jet, for all other beads appear to be banished for a while, and their place taken by the metallic cords. The sleeve only just covers the elbow ; there is a jabot of lace, and long silk knotted ends with a bordering of fringe falling in front ; the back is very handsomely wrought, and the figure is displayed to great advantage, though the mantle is loose in front. Many mantles are also worn which reach to the feet, and these have the preference for evening, made in fine cloth of light colors, either worked in gold, or bordered with gold galon. Much wide lace flouncing is employed on some of the silk mantles ; it is carried up each side, and gathered into enormous epaulettes at the shoulders. Dresses and mantles alike are made with high shoulders, the silk and any material used being gathered into formidable pullings.

BONNETS.

Toques and bonnets are both long and low, but they look incongruous with the hair turned up. Roses are the favourite flowers. They are used, however, in considerable quantities, and quite the newest are black and green velvet blooms. Happily this eccentric mode is atoned for by the majority of the flowers being not only faithfully copied from nature, but applied so naturally they look as if they had been just gathered. Lace aigrettes made of Chantilly ice are sold, ready to be gathered into form and many beautiful lisse embroideries with silk borders are applied to bonnets. The Collapsible bunnet is a very clever and useful invention. It is made in silk, or, indeed, in any material, and looks like any other bonnet ; but by a touch of the hand, it becomes perfectly flat, and two loops and hooks keep it together, when it assumes the appearance of a fan. What a boon this invention to those who journey to the theatre by train, or are about to travel, and desire to avoid a bonnet-box. Why should men alone enjoy the monopoly of an opera hat ? The invention is strictly patented, so it will not be divulging secrets to say that the three principal wires all emanate from one socket, and they easily expand or contract. A hat is shortly to be brought out on the same plan.

AMERICANS AND PRECEDENCE.

After weeks of patient research among the genealogical trees of almost every prominent family in the United States, the Committee on Entertainment of the Washington Centennial Ball have decided upon the sixteen ladies, descendants of the signatories of the Declaration of Independence, who are to be asked to dance the opening quadrille. There have probably been more heartburnings and disappointed hopes over this affair than at all the church fairs in New York for a century, and it is not improbable that there will be a grand row shortly. The fortunate ladies are :—Mrs. Charles Francis Adams, Mrs. William Astor, Mrs. W. W. Astor, Mrs. Grover Cleveland, Mrs. Frederic J. de Peyster, Mrs. Elbridge T. Gerry, Mrs. Alexander Hamilton, Mrs. Benjamin Harrison, Mrs. Rutherford B. Hayes. Mrs. John Jay, Mrs. Archibald Gracie King, Miss Carola Livingston, Mrs. Levi P. Morton, Miss Schuyler, Mrs. Henry Van Rensselaer, and Mrs. Sidney Webster.

ENTERTAINMENTS IN LENT.

Cessation of social entertainments at home this Lent has been more marked than in any previous year. Lady Stanhope continues her series of Saturday dinners, followed by evening parties, chiefly political in tone. On Saturday (March 23) she had a rival in Lady Trevelyan, who is one of the few Liberal ladies who entertain on a large scale. The Duchess of Bedford also issued cards for evening parties, but otherwise society is at a standstill. Ecclesiastically, however, London is very gay, if such a word can be permitted in such a context. Special services and courses of sermons, with musical performances suitable to the season, have been given at all the fashionable churches, and draw overflowing congregations. At St. Barnabas's, Pimlico, where the Rev. Arthur H. Stanton, of St. Alban's, Holborn, is delivering a series of sermons on Sunday evenings, the nave and aisles are thronged by listeners who, failing to obtain seats, stand throughout the whole service. They are rewarded for their endurance not only by the vivacity and originality of the preacher, but also by the exquisite taste and precision of the Gregorian music, which is confessedly the best in London and enthusiasts say, in Europe.

THE COMING BRIDEGROOM.

There is reason to believe that the visit of the Hereditary Prince of Hohenlohe-Langenburg to England is connected with a project for his betrothal to Princess Victoria of Wales. Prince Ernest, who was born in September, 1863, is a lieutenant in the 2nd Regiment of the Prussian Dragoon Guards, and the only son of the Prince of Hohenlohe-Langenburg, by his marriage with Princess Leopoldina, daughter of the late Margrave of Baden. The Prince of Hohenlohe-Langenburg is a nephew of the Queen, his mother having been the late Princess Feodore Leiningen, her Majesty's half-sister, and he is an uncle of the German Empress ; his only sister, Princess Adelaide (for whom the Emperor Napoleon proposed in 1852), having married the late Duke of Augustenburg, the elder brother of Prince christian. The Hereditary Prince's uncle, Prince Victor, better known as Count Gleichen, has long been settled in England, and the Queen appointed him to succeed the Prince Consort as Governor of Windsor Castle. The Hohenlohe family possess large estates in Wurtemberg, and the Prince's seat is Schloss Langenburg in that kingdom.

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LITERARY, DRAMATIC, AND MUSICAL.

WHAT AUTHORS HAVE TO ENDURE.

"When my 'Lyrical Ballads' first came out," said Coleridge, "they were published anonymously, and made a good deal of noise. A few days after they were issued I dined at Mrs. Barbould's, and sat beside 'many-toned' Pinkerton, as he was called from the number and variety of his writings.

"When we retired to the drawing-room he led me to a recess, and, having taken up a copy of the 'Lyrical Ballads,' which lay on the table—

"'Pray, sir,' said he, 'have you read this thing ?'

"'I have looked into it,' said I. 'Do you know the author ?' added I.

"'No,' said Pinkerton ; 'but I never read such trash, particularly an extravagant farrago of absurdity called 'The Ancient Mariner.' Don't you think it insufferable ?'

"Coleridge—'Intolerable.'

"Pinkerton—'Detestable !'

"Coleridge—'Abominable !'

"Pinkerton—'Loathsome !'

"Coleridge—'Odious ?'

"Pinkerton—'Sir, you delight me. It is really a pleasure to meet a man of sound taste in these days of declining literature. If I have a passion on earth it is an abhorrence of these 'Lyrical Ballads,' of which everyone is talking, but most especially of this wretched 'Ancient Mariner.'

"Coleridge—'Hush ! not a word more ! Here comes our hostess. She may be acquainted with the author, and might feel heart.'

"Pinkerton (pulling Coleridge by the button, taking a huge pinch of snuff, and speaking in whisper)—'I'll tell you what, sir, we mustn't let this matter drop. Let's fix a day for dining together at the Turk's Head. We'll have a private room, a beefsteak, a bottle of old port, pens, ink, and a quire of foolscap. We'll lay our heads together and review this thing ; and if we don't give it such a—'

"'If we don't !' said Coleridge.

"'Is it a bargain ?'

"'Most certainly.

"'Done ! Done !'"

LITERARY CLUBS.

Literary clubs do not thrive in London, or they thrive too much. Either they fail nearly as soon as they have been founded because the cantankerous element (never absent where five or six authors are gathered together) as acquired a predominance which makes the smoking-room intolerable to the partisans of peace at any price ; or, on the other hand they achieve a rapid success enrol a huge list of members and magistrate into grand quarters—and the club very soon becomes more social than literary. Unqualified candidates are admitted for the sake of their subscriptions or because their wives give dinner-parties at which literary persons are treated on an equality with men of real position, such as parliamentary guinea-pigs and city magnates. In either case whether the the club grows too hot (through internally generated heat) or too cold (through expansion of its premises), it misses its original object, and either ceases to exist or becomes transformed. London is too big for the literary club—unless it happens to consist of a little clique of mutual admirers, dramatists unacted, novelists unpublished, and poets unhanged. Then it may go on for a little until by the preversity of fortune one of them happens to make a hit. For a time the others have a bond of union in abusing the comrade who has prostituted his talents to popularity. But one by one the members, begin to drop off lest they should seem to be numbered among the unsuccessful. The most sacred bonds are relaxed as time goes on, and the club is dissolved.

CLUBS IN AMERICA.

But in the last century literary clubs used to succeed in London ; and in some of the old country towns they still exist and flourish. In New York there is an Authors' Club which contains 120 members, and (according to the *Critic*) one article of its constitution provides that not less than three-quarters of them are required to reside within twenty-five miles of the city. It is noticeable, however, that the club is thirty short of its full complement, although the proportion of country members is as large as the constitution of the club permits. This would seem to show that New York cannot produce 123 authors who are at once distinguished and clubbable men. Why, Boston (U.S.) could man a dozen such clubs, with plenty of candidates left over for purposes of pilling. The origin of the Authors' Club was due, "to a desire to promote friendship amongst authors, to unite different 'sets' so long divided to a great extent by the rivalry of their different publishers and the proprietors of newspapers and magazines." And in accomplishing this object it has succeeded, we are told, in a greater degree than was originally deemed practicable.

DON QUIXOTE.

In 1605, the year after Shakespeare retired from the stage Cervantes publish ed the first part of "Don Quixote ;" and the second part appeared in in 1615, the year before Shakspeare's death. With the exception of the Bible and perhaps the works of the great dramatist this romance is probably the most permanently popular book in the world. It has been translated into all languages and commentators innumerable have exhausted their art upon it. Shelton's English translation of Part I. appeared in in 1612, and of Part II in 1620, and this was the earliest version in any language. Of late years Mr. Duffeld, Mr. Ormsby, and Mr. Watts have produced translations which will entirely supersede those of Motteux, Jervas and Smollett, with which readers have been so long familiar. But as a specimen of racy Elizabethan English, Shelton's "Don Quixote" is, as Mr. Ormsby says, "a veritable treasure," and it seems strange that this fine old book which is now extremely rare has not been republished. The last edition, we believe, appeared in 1725. Mr. Nimmo, who reproduces so many fine old classics in a good modern dress, would gain the warm thanks of the bibliophile if he were to add Shelton's name to that of the men whom he thus delights to honour.

MACBETH AT THE LYCEUM.

Not a great deal is heard now of the discussion over the new reading of Macbeth and Lady Macbeth at the Lyceum. The interest, however, of the public in the work of Mr. Irving and Miss Terry shows not the smallest sign of abatement, and the average nightly receipts must equal something like £400. At that rate the profit on the production, expensive as it was, must soon be considerable ; for it can hardly be supposed that it costs the management more than half that sum to raise the curtain every evening. The "booking," surest of business tests, has, we believe, so far largely exceeded even that which showed the phenomenal popularity of "Faust."

SWEET LAVENDER.

There is so little in common between the tastes of English and American play-goers that the marked popularity of "Sweet Lavender" on the other side of the Atlantic is worth notice, and this all the more because there is a decided cockney element in the humour which is here so deftly blended with sentiment. This comedy, however, which reached the anniversary of its production at Terry's, has recently passed its hundredth night at the Lyceum, New York, thus attaining by far the longest run that any of it author's pieces has yet gained in the United States.

AMERICAN GIRLS IN OPERA.

The American girl is gradually invading every depatment of operatic representation, and always with success. For years past more leading prima-donnas have been produced by the United States than by any European country. Mdme. Patti is almost an American ; Mdme. Albani is a Canadian ; Mdme. Valleria, Mdme. Nordica, Mdme. Nevada, and Miss Van Zandt, with many more whose names will at once suggest themselves, are all from the United States. Miss Geraldine Uimar, an American, is one of the most attractive members of the Savoy company ; and Miss Huntington, another American, reigns supreme at the Prince of Wales's. We now hear of a new American Juliet, Miss Eames, who coming after Mdme. Patti at the Paris Opera House, has almost equalled Mdme. Patti's success ; of an American dancer, Mdlle. Flint, who has made her mark in the grand ballets of Milan and of Rome. Steendhal was certainly mistaken when, rather more than fifty years ago, he wrote that America was the freest country in the world, but one to which Italian music could never appeal.

NEW MUSIC.

From the prolific pen of Isidore de Lara comes the music for three songs which will prove alike welcome in the concert and the drawing room. A quaint little poem by Clement Scott, an imitation of an old French song, is "You"—this song will be among the first favourites of the season. Somewhat after the antique is "To Cordelia," a dainty poem by the Earl of Lytton (better known in the literary world as Owen Meredith)—this is a useful song of medium compass. "Told by Golden Hours," third of the group, is a pleasing poem by N. P. Willis.—"Love's Way," written and composed by W. Toynbee and Arthur Hervey will suit a tenor of medium compass. With all due respect to Mrs. Lyndoch Moncrieff as a composer, we cannot think she has improved upon or even come near to Samuel Lover, whose old favourite song, "Widow Machree," for which he supplied both words and music, she has set to music under the title of "A Lover's Advice." Very sentimental and pathetic are the words, by H. L. D'Arcy Jaxone, of "Undivided," for which Ernest R. Newton has supplied the appropriate music. We are inclined to quarrel with E. Silas for having set Robert Burns's time-honoured "Ye Banks and Braes o' Bonnie Doon" to excellent music, which has not the true ring of Scottish melody in it. "The Banks o' Doon" (original version) is the slightly altered title under which it now appears. In "Dearest" Miss Maude Blackett and Mrs. Lyndoch Moncrieff have collaborated to write and compose a charming little love-song of the period.—A dreamy and melodious waltz is "A Southern Night," by Henri Stiles.

EDWIN ASHDOWN.

A weird and thrilling poem is "Ritter Olaf" (Sir Olaf) by Heine. The gallant young knight obtains leave of a certain German Emperor, whose name is not given, to marry his fair daughter on condition that he has his head cut off as soon as the wedding ceremony is completed. The ill-fated bridegroom asked permission to attend the bridal feast and the dance which followed, and we leave the victim to parental tyranny bidding farewell to his bride and his friends, while the headsman, arrayed in scarlet, his glittering axe on his shoulder, stands grimly waiting for his prey. Edward Breck and Francis Prange have translated this tragic poem into fairly good English, and Charles Braun has set it to music in the form of a brief cantata. It is to be regretted that such excellent music should have been wasted on so unleasant a libretto. This cantata consists of some half a dozen choruses, and soli for tenor and bass. Noteworthy amongst the pieces are a quintett (unaccompanied). "Pale as death, dismayed, and mournful," which is a smoothly written and melodious composition, that merits to be published apart from the work and the last tenor solo, "I bless thee, O sun."

Infantile Loveliness

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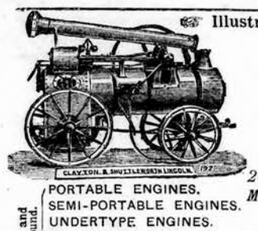

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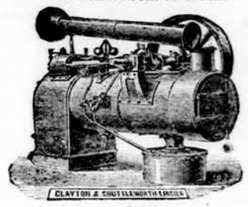

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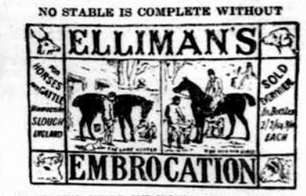

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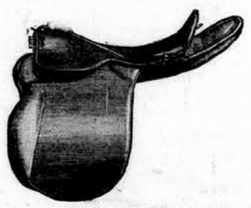
SADDLES FOR  DISTRICT USE.

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